

3 Reasons to Call Your Divorce Attorney

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When you are going through a divorce for the first time, there may be times when you are not sure what to do and when you call your attorney. Here are 3 situations where you should contact your attorney immediately:

1) You are contacted by law enforcement or the Children's Division (sometimes call Children's Protective Services, or CPS in other states). When someone who has the ability to affect your custodial rights contacts you, prior to making any direct contact yourself, you should call your attorney. Often your attorney will reach out to the person for you, and determine if and how any meeting should happen with you and that individual.

2) You notice large sums of money disappearing from an account, or you find that household bills are not being paid. Keeping track of finances during a divorce is essential, since money that is moved or spent may have a negative impact on your post-divorce finances. The same is true of bills not being paid: any bill in your name that is not being paid can have an adverse consequence on your credit, which can affect you as you move forward financially after your divorce.

3) You or your children are being subjected to physical, mental, or emotional abuse. Going through a divorce is an emotional process, but if the emotions of the situation are leading to you or your children being placed in harms' way, you should call the police if the danger is imminent, and contact your attorney.

For these or other family law questions or issues, please contact one of the family law attorneys at Sandberg Phoenix.