

# *Publication Table of Contents*

## **TEXAS FAMILY LAW PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE**

---

### **Volume 1**

---

---

#### **OBJECTIVE A: CONTRACTING WITH THE CLIENT**

- TASK A1 EXCHANGING BASIC INFORMATION IN INITIAL INTERVIEW
  - TASK A2 DECIDING TO ACCEPT THE CASE
  - TASK A3 EXECUTING INITIAL DOCUMENTS; FEE AGREEMENTS
  - TASK A4 OBTAINING DETAILED INFORMATION
- 

#### **OBJECTIVE B: ASCERTAINING RIGHTS OF PARTIES**

- TASK B1 ESTABLISHING THE MARRIAGE RELATIONSHIP
  - TASK B2 DETERMINING CUSTODY OF CHILDREN
  - TASK B3 CALCULATING CHILD SUPPORT
  - TASK B4 DETERMINING SPOUSAL SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE
  - TASK B5 CHARACTERIZING PROPERTY OF PARTIES
  - TASK B6 VALUING ASSETS
  - TASK B7 DIVIDING COMMUNITY PROPERTY
- 

#### **OBJECTIVE C: INITIATING ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE**

- TASK C1 DETERMINING JURISDICTION AND VENUE
  - TASK C2 DETERMINING GROUNDS FOR DIVORCE
  - TASK C3 DRAFTING THE PETITION AND SAPCR
  - TASK C4 FILING AND SERVING THE PETITION
  - TASK C5 MOVING TO TRANSFER SAPCR
  - TASK C6 OBTAINING TEMPORARY ORDERS
  - TASK C7 MODIFYING TEMPORARY ORDERS
  - TASK C8 ESTABLISHING PARENTING PLANS
- 

#### **OBJECTIVE D: RESPONDING TO PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION**

- TASK D1 ASSESSING RESPONSIVE OPTIONS
- TASK D2 MAKING NONRESIDENT RESPONDENT'S SPECIAL APPEARANCE
- TASK D3 ABATING PROCEEDINGS
- TASK D4 FILING ORIGINAL ANSWER AND COUNTER-PETITION

---

## **Volume 2**

---

### **OBJECTIVE E: BRINGING CASE TO TRIAL**

- TASK E1** CONDUCTING DISCOVERY
- TASK E2** SETTLING THE CASE; AGREEMENTS INCIDENT TO DIVORCE
- TASK E3** USING ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION METHODS
- TASK E4** AMENDING PLEADINGS
- TASK E5** MAKING PRETRIAL MOTIONS AND OTHER PRELIMINARY MATTERS
- TASK E6** TRYING CASE BEFORE A JURY
- TASK E7** OBTAINING COURT-ORDERED ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS

---

### **OBJECTIVE F: FINALIZING THE CASE**

- TASK F1** PREPARING THE FINAL DECREE
- TASK F2** CONCLUDING CLIENT MATTERS

---

## **Volume 3**

---

### **OBJECTIVE G: OBTAINING POST-TRIAL AND APPELLATE REVIEW**

- TASK G1** MOVING FOR NEW TRIAL
- TASK G2** IDENTIFYING APPEALABLE ORDERS
- TASK G3** BRINGING APPEAL IN COURT OF APPEALS
- TASK G4** PROCEEDING ON APPEAL IN SUPREME COURT
- TASK G5** SEEKING WRIT OF MANDAMUS
- TASK G6** BRINGING RESTRICTED APPEAL
- TASK G7** SEEKING EQUITABLE BILL OF REVIEW

---

### **OBJECTIVE H: MODIFYING THE SAPCR DECREE**

- TASK H1** DETERMINING SAPCR MODIFICATION JURISDICTION
- TASK H2** INITIATING SAPCR MODIFICATION PROCEEDINGS
- TASK H3** CONDUCTING SAPCR MODIFICATION PROCEEDINGS
- TASK H4** ESTABLISHING GROUNDS FOR MODIFICATION OF CONSERVATORSHIP
- TASK H5** ESTABLISHING GROUNDS FOR MODIFICATION OF CHILD SUPPORT
- TASK H6** OBTAINING ORDER MODIFYING SAPCR ORDER
- TASK H7** CHALLENGING CONTINUING, EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION, VENUE, AND STANDING

**TASK H8            PREPARING ANSWER**

---

**OBJECTIVE I: MODIFYING AND ENFORCING SPOUSAL SUPPORT**

- TASK I1            MODIFYING SPOUSAL SUPPORT**  
**TASK I2            ENFORCING CONTRACTUAL ALIMONY AND SPOUSAL MAINTENANCE**  
**TASK I3            ENFORCING SPOUSAL MAINTENANCE THROUGH ORDER OR WRIT OF WITHHOLDING**

---

**OBJECTIVE J: ENFORCING CHILD SUPPORT DECREE**

- TASK J1            CHOOSING WHICH REMEDIES TO SEEK IN MOTION TO ENFORCE CHILD SUPPORT**  
**TASK J2            BRINGING MOTION FOR CONTEMPT AND OTHER REMEDIES**  
**TASK J3            PREPARING AND IMPLEMENTING CONTEMPT AND OTHER ENFORCEMENT ORDERS**  
**TASK J4            ENFORCING CHILD SUPPORT THROUGH WRIT OF WITHHOLDING**  
**TASK J5            ENFORCING CHILD SUPPORT THROUGH CHILD SUPPORT LIEN**  
**TASK J6            SUSPENDING LICENSE**  
**TASK J7            ADVISING CLIENT OF ADDITIONAL REMEDIES FOR ENFORCING CHILD SUPPORT**

---

**OBJECTIVE K: ENFORCING CONSERVATORSHIP DECREE**

- TASK K1            OBTAINING WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS COMPELLING RETURN OF CHILD**  
**TASK K2            ENFORCING CONSERVATORSHIP ORDER BY CONTEMPT**  
**TASK K3            DETERMINING POTENTIAL CRIMINAL SANCTIONS**  
**TASK K4            BRINGING SUIT FOR INTERFERENCE WITH POSSESSORY RIGHTS**  
**TASK K5            OBTAINING REMEDIES UNDER HAGUE CONVENTION**  
**TASK K6            ENFORCING INTERSTATE CUSTODY ORDERS UNDER UCCJEA**

---

**OBJECTIVE L: ENFORCING PROPERTY DIVISION**

- TASK L1            OBTAINING POST-JUDGMENT ENFORCEMENT IN DISSOLUTION SUIT**  
**TASK L2            PROTECTING PROPERTY DURING ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS**  
**TASK L3            PURSUING ALTERNATIVE ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS**

---

**OBJECTIVE M: HANDLING INTERSTATE SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AND MODIFICATION**

- TASK M1            CHOOSING METHOD FOR INTERSTATE ENFORCEMENT OR MODIFICATION OF DECREE**

- TASK M2      PROCESSING UNIFORM INTERSTATE FAMILY SUPPORT ACT  
(UIFSA) LITIGATION
- TASK M3      USING UNIFORM ENFORCEMENT OF FOREIGN JUDGMENTS ACT  
(UEFJA)
- 

## **Volume 4**

---

### **OBJECTIVE N: DEFENDING AGAINST ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS**

- TASK N1      DEFENDING AGAINST SAPCR ENFORCEMENT
- TASK N2      DEFENDING AGAINST ENFORCEMENT OF SPOUSAL  
MAINTENANCE
- TASK N3      DEFENDING AGAINST ENFORCEMENT OF PROPERTY DIVISION
- TASK N4      DEFENDING AGAINST ENFORCEMENT OR MODIFICATION OF  
FOREIGN DECREE
- TASK N5      OBTAINING DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY
- 

### **OBJECTIVE O: DIVIDING PROPERTY POST-DISSOLUTION**

- TASK O1      DETERMINING RIGHT TO POST-DISSOLUTION PROPERTY  
DIVISION
- TASK O2      IDENTIFYING TYPES OF DIVISIBLE PROPERTY
- TASK O3      INITIATING ACTION FOR POST-DISSOLUTION PROPERTY  
DIVISION
- TASK O4      RESPONDING TO ACTION FOR POST-DISSOLUTION PROPERTY  
DIVISION
- 

### **OBJECTIVE P: OBTAINING PROTECTIVE ORDERS AGAINST FAMILY VIOLENCE**

- TASK P1      DETERMINING WHETHER TO SEEK PROTECTIVE ORDER
- TASK P2      FOLLOWING PROCEDURE TO OBTAIN PROTECTIVE ORDER
- 

### **OBJECTIVE Q: ANNULING THE MARRIAGE**

- TASK Q1      DETERMINING GROUNDS FOR ANNULMENT
- TASK Q2      INITIATING AND RESPONDING TO SUIT FOR ANNULMENT
- 

### **OBJECTIVE R: DETERMINING PARENTAGE**

- TASK R1      UNDERSTANDING LEGAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FATHER  
AND CHILD
- TASK R2      MAKING PRELIMINARY DETERMINATIONS REGARDING  
PARENTAGE SUIT
- TASK R3      INITIATING PARENTAGE SUIT

- TASK R4 CONDUCTING PATERNITY SUIT
  - TASK R5 RESPONDING TO PATERNITY SUIT
  - TASK R6 OBTAINING ORDER ADJUDICATING PARENTAGE
- 

**OBJECTIVE S: TERMINATING PARENTAL RIGHTS**

- TASK S1 INITIATING TERMINATION SUIT
  - TASK S2 CONDUCTING TERMINATION SUIT
  - TASK S3 ESTABLISHING GROUNDS FOR TERMINATION
  - TASK S4 RESPONDING TO TERMINATION SUIT
  - TASK S5 OBTAINING FINAL ORDER IN TERMINATION SUIT
- 

**OBJECTIVE T: ADOPTING A MINOR OR AN ADULT**

- TASK T1 UNDERSTANDING CHILD ADOPTION
  - TASK T2 MAKING PRELIMINARY DETERMINATIONS REGARDING CHILD ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS
  - TASK T3 INITIATING CHILD ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS
  - TASK T4 CONDUCTING CHILD ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS
  - TASK T5 OBTAINING FINAL ORDER IN CHILD ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS
  - TASK T6 ADOPTING AN ADULT
- 

**OBJECTIVE U: EMANCIPATING A MINOR**

- TASK U1 UNDERSTANDING DISABILITIES OF MINORS
  - TASK U2 DISAFFIRMING OR RATIFYING CONTRACTS OF MINOR
  - TASK U3 REMOVING DISABILITIES OF MINOR
- 

**OBJECTIVE V: MAKING AND ENFORCING PREMARITAL AGREEMENT**

- TASK V1 CREATING PREMARITAL AGREEMENT
  - TASK V2 ENFORCING PREMARITAL AGREEMENT
- 

**Volume 5**

---

**OBJECTIVE W: MAKING AND ENFORCING COHABITATION AGREEMENT**

- TASK W1 PLANNING COHABITATION AGREEMENT
- TASK W2 CREATING COHABITATION AGREEMENT
- TASK W3 ENFORCING COHABITATION AGREEMENT

---

**OBJECTIVE X: MAKING AND ENFORCING MARITAL PROPERTY AGREEMENT**

- TASK X1 PLANNING MARITAL PROPERTY AGREEMENT  
TASK X2 CREATING MARITAL PROPERTY AGREEMENT  
TASK X3 ENFORCING MARITAL PROPERTY AGREEMENT  
TASK X4 CREATING SEPARATION AGREEMENT

---

**OBJECTIVE Y: APPOINTING GUARDIAN FOR MINOR**

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL 2013 TAX CHARTS

LEGISLATION CORRELATION TABLES

APPENDIX 1 UNIFORM FORMS

CH00Y1SA TEXAS ESTATES CODE TO REPLACE TEXAS PROBATE CODE IN 2014

- TASK Y1 GUARDIANSHIP PLANNING  
TASK Y2 OBTAINING GUARDIAN'S APPOINTMENT  
TASK Y3 PERFORMING GUARDIAN'S LEGAL DUTIES  
TASK Y4 MOVING OR TERMINATING GUARDIANSHIP

---

**OBJECTIVE Z: CHANGING NAME**

- TASK Z1 CHANGING NAME OF ADULT  
TASK Z2 CHANGING NAME OF CHILD

---

**TABLES**

TABLE OF CASES

TABLE OF STATUTES

---

**INDEXES**

PUBLICATION INDEX

BAR FORMS/DOCUMENT ASSEMBLY INDEX

---

**TAX TABLES**

LEGISLATION CORRELATION TABLES—TEXAS FAMILY CODES

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TAX CHARTS

---

**APPENDIX**

UNIFORM FORMS