

PREVIOUSLY DIVORCED or NEVER MARRIED?

WE'RE DIVORCED-BUT THINGS HAVE CHANGED:

Life is certainly unpredictable but one thing is for certain...things change. Maybe you have gained or lost income and need to adjust child support or if the children are now spending more time with one parent or the other? If you have a final judgment and a Parenting Plan and you need to make some modifications to adjust to recent changes in you or your children's lives, Mediation can provide the means to amend your Parenting Plan and file those modifications with the court.

A mediated agreement can be filed with the court to legally modify and change your current Final Judgment. There is no need for hiring attorneys if you both can work to come to an agreement on these changes.

NEVER MARRIED (PATERNITY):

If you have never been married but have a child together, you can and should create a Parenting Plan that protects and places parameters around the time-sharing schedule for each parent. This is accomplished by filing a Petition to Establish Paternity to set up that time-sharing schedule and calculate child support according to the Florida guideline worksheet.

Parents would meet together in Mediation to create a Parenting Plan that works for them and their child/children. A mediated agreement can be filed with the court to legally establish a Parenting Plan and Support. There is no need for hiring attorneys if you both can work to come to an agreement on these changes.

For more information on establishing Paternity:

http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0700-0799/0742/Sections/0742.10.html