

## Joint Simplified Dissolution of Marriage Instructions:

1. Requirements to file a Joint Simplified Dissolution of Marriage
  - a. You and your spouse must be married less than eight (8) years
  - b. No children were born or adopted by you and your spouse during your relationship and the wife is not currently pregnant.
  - c. Joint, annual, gross income from all sources must be less than \$35,000.
  - d. Neither you nor your spouse may have a gross annual income in excess of \$20,000.
  - e. Total value of marital property you and your spouse own must be less than \$10,000.
  - f. Neither you nor your spouse may own any real estate
  
2. Obtain and complete the following forms (You must provide an original & two Copies of each):
  - a. [Certificate of Attorney – Family Division](#) - #171-365 (Rev. 01/16)
  - b. [Petition for Joint Simplified Dissolution of Marriage](#) - #171-213c (Rev. 10/13)
  - c. [Joint Affidavit Regarding Separation of the Parties Division of Property and Waiver of Bifurcated Hearing](#) - #171-213a (Rev. 10/13)
  - d. [Judgment for Simplified Dissolution of Marriage](#) - #171-213f (Rev. 10/13)
  
3. File the above paperwork in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court and pay the applicable filing fee that can be found on our current [Fee Schedule](#).

For additional documents or more information, please visit our website at [www.lakecountycircuitclerk.org](http://www.lakecountycircuitclerk.org)