

STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT

FAMILY DIVISION

Contested Divorce/Legal Separation/Civil Union Dissolution
With Minor Children

Filing fees:

Without an agreement (stipulation) - \$295.00 (+ service fees if the court serves).

Filing and service fees must be paid upon filing unless an Application to Waive Filing Fees and Service Costs ([form 600-00228](#)) is filed and granted.

Form #

Required Forms

_____	800	Information Sheet
_____	400-00836	Complaint for Divorce/Legal Separation/Civil Union Dissolution (with children)
_____	400-00849	Statement of Confidential Information
_____	400-00831	Notice of Appearance for Self-Represented Litigant
_____	VDH-VR-DIV or VDH-VR-DISS	Department of Health Record of Divorce or Annulment OR Department of Health Record of Civil Union Dissolution or Annulment Form (not required for Legal Separation filings)

Service:

The Court is responsible for making sure the other party receives a copy of the filed documents if there are minor children. Since the court executes service there is an extra service fee that is required to be paid at the time of filing.

There are a few ways to serve the other person in the case that is acceptable to the court: First Class Mail with Notice of Action and Request for Waiver of Service of Summons ([form 400-00820](#)) (service fee is \$3.00), Certified Mail (service fee is \$13), Personal Service by sheriff, and Service by publication (fee varies-contact court staff for details). Service will be attempted based on the contact information you have provided, and the appropriate service fee paid to the court.

Information and forms are available at: www.vermontjudiciary.org/family