

Finalizing a Divorce by Default

There **ARE** children

The other party has been served, has not filed any documents in the case and has missed the deadline to respond

Forms may be downloaded for free at www.courts.wa.gov/forms or you may purchase them at the Clerk's Office

Step 1: Verify with the Clerk's Office that no response has been filed.

Step 2: Fill out these forms and make copies:

Completed	Form Name	Form #	Notes
	Notice of Hearing	FL All Family 185	Cite to a Friday docket
	Motion for Default	FL All Family 161	

Step 3: File original forms with the Clerk's Office

Step 4: Fill out these forms and take to your hearing.

Completed	Form Name	Form #	Notes
	Order on Motion for Default	FL All Family 162	
	Findings and Conclusions About a Marriage	FL Divorce 231	
	Final Divorce Order	FL Divorce 241	

	Parenting Plan	FL All Family 140	Must be the same as the proposed parenting plan that was served on the other party at the beginning of the case*
	Child Support Order	FL All Family 130	
	Child Support Worksheets	WSCSS - worksheets	Same as proposed worksheets served at the beginning of the case.*
	Certification	Available at www.clark.wa.gov/courts/documents.html	

Step 5: Attend your hearing

*NOTE: If you did not serve a proposed parenting plan and/or proposed child support worksheets on the other party when the case was started, the court will not be able to default the other party on those issues and will require that those documents be served before going forward.

These instructions are legal information, not legal advice.

All of the above mentioned forms can be found on the Washington State Court website:

www.courts.wa.gov/forms.