

Name of Caller :

CONTESTED DIVORCE QUESTIONNAIREAbuse Cases Only

1. Wants to File for Divorce \_\_\_ OR; Divorce Defense  
Date Served:  
Date Answered:  
Where are Papers From?
2. Does the caller have any upcoming court dates? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No (*If yes, please note on the top of the docket that there is an upcoming court date.*)
3. Is the phone number in the docket safe to call and leave messages at?
4. DOM.: \_\_\_\_\_ DOS: \_\_\_\_\_ # of kids:
5. List in docket the names and dates of birth of all the children that wife has ever given birth to (*okay to put "unknown" and reason*).
  - A. Is wife pregnant? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No
  - B. Any children born during the marriage **NOT** the husband's? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
If yes, has a Judgment of Paternity been entered for the kid(s)?: \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No
  - D. If children have been abused, describe last incident and worst incident of child abuse in the docket.
  - E. Is CPS involved with caller's children? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No
6. Has caller discussed divorce with spouse? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No (*Note: Do not encourage caller to discuss divorce with spouse if it is not safe to do so.*)
7. Caller and spouse will contest: \_\_\_ Custody \_\_\_ Division of Assets  
\_\_\_ Visitation \_\_\_ Division of Debts  
\_\_\_ Other (please specify in docket)
8. Describe in detail (dates/places/events) what happened at the last abusive incident **AND** the worst abusive incident in the intake docket.
9. Has the caller ever applied for a Temporary Restraining Order? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
If "Yes": Issue Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date:
10. Have the police ever been called to the house as a result of violence? (*Describe in detail in the docket.*)
11. Is the caller afraid of spouse now? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No (*If Yes, ask what they are most fearful of, If No, ask why they feel safe now.*)

12. Caller and/or spouse own real property  Yes  No  
Who is on title?  Caller  Spouse  Both
13. Does caller have retirement benefits  Yes  No  
Does caller's spouse have retirement benefits?  Yes  No
14. Where is your spouse employed and what is his/her salary?
15. Advocate: If caller has experienced recent or severe physical or emotional abuse, ask the caller to contact DVCLH. Tell them to call back if DVCLH is unable to assist them. If not recent or severe physical or emotional abuse, send it upstairs.

Advocate:

- (1) Give Caller advice per checklist below, note the advice given in docket;  
(2) Check the case acceptance criteria for the appropriate agency, route to either DVCLH or LASH;

Tell eligible callers referred upstairs: "I am referring your application for consideration for representation. You are STILL AN APPLICANT, LASH will decide whether to represent you."

Best Days (Monday - Friday) and Times (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) to reach caller:

Is telephone number on docket "safe":  Yes  No If no, safe number?

"Safe" to leave message with person or machine:  Yes  No

Address given on docket, "safe" to use to mail things to person:  Yes  No

If "No", Give alternate address:

Advice Given:Divorce Defense

- Safety Plan  Local Shelter Number  How to Answer the Complaint  
 Temporary Restraining Order  Police (911)  
 (Oahu) Copies of HPD list of phone numbers for abuse victims  
 Paternity  
 Jurisdiction (To file in Honolulu: 6 months in HI, 3 months on Oahu)  
 Child Custody (Physical/Legal; Joint/Sole)  
 Child Support (Court-ordered formula; cannot negotiate)  
 Visitation (Supervised visitation of spouse drinks/drugs around kids)  
 Assets and Debts (Creditors are not bound to divorce decree)  
 Uncontested Divorce v. Contested Divorce  
 Seek counseling from Family Peace Center

Referrals:**OAHU:**

- Shelter  DVCLH  Family Peace Ctr.  Adult Service Branch (TRO)  CSEA  
 Lawyer Referral Service  Family Court  PACT (for supervised visitation)