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COUNTIES:

Aransas
Bee
Live Oak
McMullen
San Patricio

Pro-se Divorce Procedures in the District Courts
of Aransas, Bee, Live Oak, McMullen and San Patricio Counties
36th, 156th & 343rd Judicial District Courts, 2ND Multicounty Court at Law

The PETITIONER (the party who filed the Divorce) must do the following:

1. Either: **Serve** the Respondent (the non-filing party) as stated in the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure; **or**,
File a Waiver of Citation that is dated and signed **after** the date the Petition for Divorce is filed.
2. Before requesting a court setting the Pro Se Petitioner **MUST**:
 - A. If you have a court child support case, The Attorney General must be served **AND** the
Child support case **MUST BE CONSOLIDATED INTO** the Divorce case.
 - B. Have attended the family counseling program, if children are involved and so **MUST** their spouse (certain exceptions exist for out of area spouses);
 - C. Know the date of service or the date the Waiver of Citation was filed or whether the Respondent filed an Answer or has an attorney;
 - D. Have a Divorce Decree **with all blanks filled in and a vital statistics form**
(obtained from the clerk) placed in their Divorce file in the Clerk's office.

When all of the above requirements have been completed, the Pro Se Petitioner may call or email the Court Administrator of the court that the divorce was filed in at the number listed below to request a court date. You must know or include your case number.

If the Respondent was not served, there is no waiver of service or no answer by the Respondent or a Decree of Divorce in the clerk's file then a court date **will not** be set. **All blanks must be filled out in the Divorce Decree prior to seeing the Judge.**

The Pro Se Petitioner must keep the District Clerk's office notified of their current address. If the Clerk's file does not have a correct address the case may be dismissed and the filing fees will be lost and a new case would then need to be filed with new filing fees.

36th District Court Administrator, 36districtcourt@gmail.com (361) 364-9310 ext. 1
156th District Court Administrator, 156districtcourt@gmail.com (361) 364-9310 ext. 2
343rd District Court Administrator, 343districtcourt@gmail.com (361) 364-9310 ext. 3
2nd Multicounty Court at law, beatriz.gamboa@beecounty.texas.gov (361) 318-3577
Additional approved resource: www.texaslawhelp.org