

If you have children, the issues involved include (1) Who will have custody of the children, ie, who make decisions about their upbringing. (2) When will the children be with each parent, ie where will the children be during the week, during holidays and vacations. (3) Which parent will pay child support, and how much the child support should be.

If you have a house, the issue is whether one person can keep the house, or whether it will have to be sold. If you have bank accounts, retirement plans, pensions and other assets, they will have to be divided. If you have debts such as credit card debt and loans, the responsibility for these will also be determined.

An additional issue which can arise is whether one spouse should pay the other spousal maintenance (alimony), and how much that should be.

No matter how complex you believe your particular issues are, they will be determined, either by you and your spouse, through your attorneys, coming to an agreement, or by a Judge if you can't agree.