7 Smart Ways to Protect Your Assets During Divorce in Illinois

Strategic, Illinois-focused steps—designed to protect your property, reduce disputes, and empower your next move.

LEGAL AGREEMENTS

01 Sign or Review a Prenuptial Agreement

If signed before marriage, make sure it still protects your separate assets under Illinois law.

02 Consider a Post-nuptial Agreement

A valid post-nuptial can safeguard assets acquired during marriage.

FINANCIAL SEPARATION

03 Keep Inheritance & Gifts in Your Name Only

These stay non-marital—unless they're deposited into joint accounts or used jointly.

04 Open Separate Bank Accounts

Helps clarify financial boundaries and preserve your claims to individual property.

05 Close Joint Credit Cards

Avoid shared liability and protect your credit by starting individual accounts.

DOCUMENTATION & INVENTORY

06 Inventory Marital Property

Create a photo and written log of assets—furniture, jewelry, electronics, vehicles.

07 Gather Account Statements & Tax Returns

Build a financial paper trail: past 2–3 years of taxes, banking, loans, investments.

Builds transparency and strengthens your legal positioning with verified financial history.

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