

Top 5 Things to Consider Before Filing for Divorce in Chicagoland

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Financial Readiness

- Gather recent bank records, tax returns, retirement accounts, and credit reports.
- Save 3–6 months of living expenses if possible.
- Know your household income and debts.



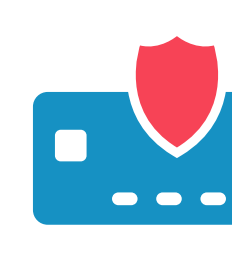
Parenting Plans & Custody Considerations

- Consider a temporary schedule that prioritizes your children's stability.
- Think about holidays, school logistics, and communication.



Legal Strategy: Know Your Options

- Will your divorce be contested or uncontested?
- Mediation, collaborative divorce, or litigation—what suits your situation best?



Protect Your Credit & Accounts

- Monitor your credit and consider freezing it.
- Close joint accounts or convert to individual where possible.
- Change passwords and separate digital access.



Build Your Legal and Emotional Support Team

- Hire a divorce attorney with experience in your county courts.
- Lean on friends, therapy, or support groups.

Need guidance before filing? Anderson Boback & Marshall offers confidential strategy sessions to help you take control.

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