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NYC Contested Divorce Lawyers Ethan Steward and Martin Mohr Explain the Cost of a Contested Divorce in NYC

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NYC contested divorce lawyers Ethan Steward and Martin Mohr (<https://www.newyorkfamilylawgroup.com/contested-divorce-lawyer/>) released a new article explaining the costs involved in a contested divorce in NY. The lawyers mention that in New York, there are two ways to get a divorce. A contested divorce is one option if there are important matters to be discussed and agreed to between spouses such as child custody, property division, and spousal support.

According to the NYC contested divorce lawyers, "A contested divorce happens when the spouses cannot reach an agreement on the final terms of their divorce. The potential for lengthy, complicated legal battles about asset division can result from a contested divorce. This is especially true if there are minor children. If you don't take immediate action to safeguard your interests, you may end up in a settlement that leaves you with major financial disadvantages."

The lawyers add that contested divorces are usually more expensive because of the time and other costs needed to prepare for litigation. While it is possible to represent oneself, it is not always the best option because one mistake can have a significant impact on the person's life. Having a skilled contested divorce lawyer is important to make sure that the divorce is going where the client wants it to go.

Attorney Martin Mohr adds that one cost involved in a contested divorce in New York City is the court fees. The fees are usually uniform throughout the city except if the other spouse is considered poor. In order to waive the court fees, one must apply for the status of being poor before filing the divorce. The usual court fee for divorce proceedings is \$335.00 minimum if the person filing the request is not poor.

In the article, the lawyer adds "The circumstances of your case will determine the fees you pay a lawyer. You may be charged between \$250.00 and \$450.00 an hour by the lawyer/law office you consult. Most cases require a retainer deposit to cover the fees upfront and to have the firm officially 'appear' in the case. Lawyers appearing in court proceedings on behalf of their clients can't simply withdraw or quit without permission from the court. Even if they owe money, a retainer provides security to the attorney that ensures that they are paid at least the retainer amount."

Lastly, the lawyer emphasizes the importance of having a skilled attorney when dealing with matters such as domestic violence. A skilled lawyer may be able to help the victim protect their rights and build a strong case against the abuser.

About New York Family Law Group

New York Family Law Group is founded by attorneys Martin Mohr and Ethan Steward. Combined, the lawyers have over 30 years of experience in dealing with New York family laws. They aim to give their clients skilled representation and educate them about their rights while navigating the complicated terrains of family law-related matters. Contact them today at (718) 293-1542 to schedule a consultation.

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