

Collaborative Law Forms

Family Cases - The following agreements are intended for divorce and other family law matters, but they

- [Collaborative Law Process Agreement](#) – this is the form of agreement that the parties and counsel in a collaborative law divorce case. This form can be adapted for use in a non-family case. This for the web site for the [Massachusetts Collaborative Law Council](#). We have made a few changes that
- [Collaborative Law Process Agreement \(Alternative Version\)](#)
- [Collaborative Law Process Agreement \(no children\)](#) – this form is similar to the one above except t been removed.
- [Ground Rules for the Collaborative Process](#) – a list of suggestions for handling communication issu parties and counsel.
- [Cooperative Negotiation Agreement](#) – this form is almost identical to the Collaborative Law Proces: from representing the parties if the negotiations reach an impasse, and (b) neither party can initiate a defined "cooling off period" (60 days in this particular agreement, but it could be longer or shorter provides a different type of incentive for settlement, as compared with a Collaborative Law Process which the parties wish to embark on a collaborative negotiation but have concerns about whether tl take the risk of having to hire new counsel.

Business Cases - The following agreements can be used in business, employment, and other non-family

- [Collaborative Law Process Agreement for Business and Employment Cases](#) - in this Agreement, th freely, engage in a good faith interest-based negotiation, and consider hiring joint experts if experts solely for purposes of negotiation and agree to withdraw if the case proceeds to court.
- [Cooperative Negotiation Agreement for Business and Employment Cases](#) - this is virtually identical that instead of an attorney-withdrawal provision, the agreement provides for a mandatory "cooling c impasse in the negotiations.

Other Resouces

- [Statutes and Ethics Opinions](#) – for copies of statutes and ethics opinions on Collaborative Law, ple

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Services: Collaborative Law, Mediation, Arbitration, Litigation, Guardian ad Litem, Parenting Coord

Areas of Law Practice: Divorce, Family Law and Employment

Areas of Dispute Resolution Practice: Business, Employment, Family and Divorce Mediation, C Property, Malpractice, Probate, Product Liability, Real Estate, Tort

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