

Tips on Funding Your Divorce

Funding for a divorce usually comes from one, or sometimes both, of the following:



FAMILY RESOURCES - POINTS TO CONSIDER

Can you meet the costs from your own income?

Can you meet the costs from your own personal savings?



Do you have any joint savings?



Is your spouse in a position to pay your legal costs as well as his/her own?

If it is clear that your spouse has the funds to pay your reasonable legal costs but refuses to do so then you may be advised to apply to the Court for a "Legal Services Payment Order".

LOANS/CREDIT ARRANGEMENTS

Loans

Credit Arrangements

CAN YOU BORROW FROM THE BANK, A FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND? CAN YOU TAKE OUT AN INTEREST FREE CREDIT CARD?

If you receive money from a family member or friend, you must ensure that it is clearly documented as a loan, to include the terms for repayment. Some credit arrangements are available with companies who specialise in providing funding for legal costs.

EXEMPTION FROM COURT FEES



If you are on a low income and/or in receipt of certain benefits then you are likely to be exempt from paying some, or all, of your Court fees.