

Writ of Divorce

Overview

A writ of divorce is the mode of commencing a divorce suit. The following needs to be filed together with a writ:

- a Statement of Claim,
- a Statement of Particulars; and
- a Notice of Proceedings, which includes the Acknowledgment of Service / Memorandum of Appearance.

If there is/are any child(ren) of the marriage, the Plaintiff must file either:

- a Proposed Parenting Plan; or
- an Agreed parenting plan (if there is an agreement on the care arrangements for the child(ren)).

If the matrimonial assets include a HDB flat, the Plaintiff must file either:

- a Proposed Matrimonial Property Plan; or
- an Agreed Matrimonial Plan (if there is an agreement on how the HDB flat is to be divided upon the divorce).

6 weeks after the filing of the writ and the aforementioned commencement documents, parties will receive a Registrar's Notice reminding parties to file the Request to Set Down Action for Trial within 2 weeks thereof. If no Request to Set Down Action for Trial is filed within the stated deadline, parties will receive a second Registrar's Notice to attend a status conference.

Step-by-step guide to the filing of Writ of Divorce

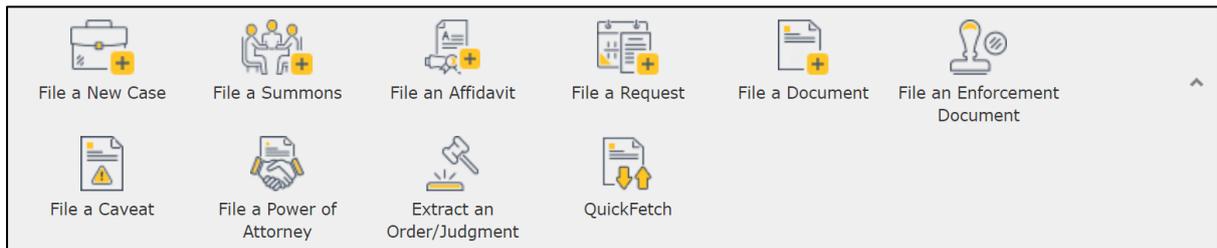


Fig 1. From the eLitigation homepage, select “File a New Case” from the Quick Access banner.

The screenshot shows the 'Case Overview' section of the form. It includes a dropdown menu for 'Case Type' set to 'Writ of Divorce', radio buttons for 'Family Justice Courts' (selected) and 'Family Courts', and radio buttons for 'Simplified' and 'Normal' under the 'Type of Divorce *' section. The 'Simplified' and 'Normal' radio buttons are highlighted with a red box.

Fig 2. Select “Writ of Divorce” from the list of case types. “Family Courts” will automatically be selected as the forum for the case to be heard in. Indicate the type of divorce as either “Simplified” or “Normal”.

The screenshot shows the 'Party Details' section of the form. It includes fields for 'Type Of Entity*' (Natural Person), 'Party Type*' (Plaintiff), 'Identity Type*' (SIN NRIC), 'Identification No*', 'Country of Issue *' (Singapore), 'Name*', 'Gender*', 'File Reference Number', 'Occupation*', 'Dialect Group', 'Nationality*', 'Race*', 'Place of Birth', 'Date of Birth *', and 'Religion*'. There are also links for 'Add Former Name' and 'Add Alias Name'.

Fig 3. Enter all mandatory party information. There must be at least one “Plaintiff” and one “Defendant” in the list of parties.

List of Parties						
Select at least one Plaintiff and one Defendant.						
<input type="checkbox"/>	S/No	Party Name	Represented By	Filing Party	Role in this filing	File Reference No
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Johnny Tan	Training Lawfirm 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Plaintiff	Edit
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	Mary Lim	Unrepresented	<input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant	Edit
<input type="button" value="Add Party From Another Case"/> <input type="button" value="Add Party Manually"/> <input type="button" value="Delete"/>						

Fig 4. Select the filing party.

Marriage Details	
Place of Solemnization*:	[Select] <input type="button" value="Calendar"/>
Place of Registration:	[Select] <input type="button" value="Calendar"/>
Marriage Certificate No:	<input type="text"/>
Child/Children Details	
Do you have children*? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	

Fig 5. Provide the Marriage Details and the Child/Children Details. Depending on your selection to the question “Do you have children?”, proceed to:

- Figs 5a – 5b if you select “Yes”, or
- Fig 6 if you select “No”.

Child/Children Details
Do you have children*? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<input type="button" value="Add Child Details"/>

Fig 5a. Click “Add Child Details”.

Add Child/Children details	
* Mandatory fields.	
Child Information	
ID No*:	<input type="text"/> ID Type: [Select] <input type="button" value="Calendar"/>
Country of Issue:	[Select] <input type="button" value="Calendar"/>
Name*:	<input type="text"/>
Date of Birth*:	<input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Calendar"/>
Gender*:	[SELECT] <input type="button" value="Calendar"/> Nationality*: [Select] <input type="button" value="Calendar"/>
Race*:	[Select] <input type="button" value="Calendar"/>
Religion*:	[Select] <input type="button" value="Calendar"/>
Education Level*:	[Select] <input type="button" value="Calendar"/> Marital Status(if applicable): Single <input type="button" value="Calendar"/>
Occupation*:	[Select] <input type="button" value="Calendar"/>
1. Is this child disabled? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
2. Is the child under the care or custody of on approved school or approved home established under the Children and Young Persons Act(Cap.38)? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
3.[For a child over 21 only] Is the child :(a) receiving instruction at an educational establishment or undergoing training for a trade, profession or vocation. (b) suffering from a mental or physical disability; and / or (c) is or will be serving full-time national service? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
4.Is there any other living child born to the wife during the marriage <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
5. Is there any dispute as to whether a living child is a child of the marriage? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
<input type="button" value="Save"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>	

Fig 5b. Provide the child/children details.

Questionnaire

Please select the document to commence the case*:

Writ For

- Divorce
- Nullity of Marriage
- Judicial Separation
- Presumption of Death and Divorce

Rescission of Judgment of Judicial Separation

Fig 6. Select the appropriate options.

Nature of Case *

Select up to 10 categories of Nature of Case.

Fig 7. Click “Add” to select the Nature of Case.

Nature of Case close or Esc Key

Nature of Case

Irretrievable Breakdown

- 3 Years Separation with consent
- 4 Years Separation
- Adultery
- Desertion
- Mutual Agreement
- Unreasonable Behaviour
- Others

Fig 8. Select the nature of case. Click “Save”.

No of days to file the MOA * 8 days (Service within Singapore) 21 days (Service outside Singapore)

Jurisdiction Details

Type of Jurisdiction*:

- Domicile
- Habitual Residence

Plaintiff Identification Type*:

Defendant Identification Type*:

Jurisdiction Details*:

Fig 9. Select the number of days to file the Memorandum of Appearance (“MOA”). Provide the Jurisdiction Details for both the Plaintiff and Defendant.

Related Proceedings

Are there related proceedings (including bankruptcy proceedings) involving the Plaintiff and/or the Defendant?:* Yes No

Do you wish to file a Parenting Plan?*: Yes No

Do you have a HDB Property?*: Yes No

Fig 10. Depending on your selection to the question on related proceedings involving the Plaintiff and/or the Defendant, proceed to:

- Fig 10a if you select “Yes”, or
- Fig 11 if you select “No”.

Related Proceedings

Case No :	<input type="text"/>	Date of Application *:	<input type="text"/>
Country where Proceedings filed*:	<input type="text" value="[Select]"/>	Date of Order:	<input type="text"/>
Nature of Proceedings *:	<input type="text" value="[Select]"/>		
Details of Order applied/made *:	<div style="border: 1px solid gray; width: 100%; height: 100%;"></div>		
Status of Proceedings*:	<div style="border: 1px solid gray; width: 100%; height: 100%;"></div>		

Fig 10a. Click “Add” to enter the details of the proceedings.

Related Proceedings

Are there related proceedings (including bankruptcy proceedings) involving the Plaintiff and/or the Defendant?:* Yes No

Do you wish to file a Parenting Plan?*: Yes No

Do you have a HDB Property?*: Yes No

Fig 11. Indicate whether the applicant wishes to file a Parenting Plan and whether he/she has a HDB property. If there is/are child(ren) and/or HDB property, the applicant is required to specify either “Proposed” or “Agreed” for the Parenting Plan and/or Matrimonial Property Plan accordingly.

If the Type of Divorce selected is “Normal” and if at least one child below 14 years of age

Plaintiff's Child Certificate Info	
Do you have an Agreement on all AMs?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Have you attended the Mandatory Co-Parenting Programme and obtained the Certificate of Completion?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Do you have a Note of Exclusion?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Do you have leave of Court to file your claim?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Case/summons no:	<input type="text"/>
Date of Order:	<input type="text"/> 

Fig 12. Complete the questions accordingly.

If the Type of Divorce selected is “Simplified Divorce” and if at least one child below 14 years of age

Plaintiff's Child Certificate Info	
Have you attended the Mandatory Co-Parenting Programme and obtained the Certificate of Completion?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Do you have a Note of Exclusion?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Do you have leave of Court to file your claim?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Case/summons no:	<input type="text"/>
Date of Order:	<input type="text"/> 

Defendant's Child Certificate Info	
Have you attended the Mandatory Co-Parenting Programme and obtained the Certificate of Completion?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Do you have a Note of Exclusion?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Do you have leave of Court to file your claim?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Case/summons no:	<input type="text"/>
Date of Order:	<input type="text"/> 

Fig 13. Complete the questions accordingly.

The question “**Do you have an Agreement on all AMs?**” is not applicable for a ‘Simplified’ Divorce case.



Certificate of Completion

If “**Yes**” is selected for the question “**Have you attended the Mandatory Co-Parenting Programme and obtained the Certificate of Completion**”, you will need to upload a copy of the “Certificate of Completion” in Step 2.

Note of Exclusion

If “**Yes**” is selected for the question “**Do you have a Note of Exclusion?**”, you will need to upload a copy of the “Note of Exclusion” in Step 2.

STEP 1: Case Info STEP 2: Form **STEP 3: Admin Details** STEP 4: Submission

Hearing Details

Is there any special request required? Yes No

Urgent

Do you require urgent processing of the Documents? Yes No

Request to Backdate

Backdate Request Date: dd-MMM-yyyy hh:mm AM/PM
 AM

Reason for Backdating:

E-Service

List of Law Practices
Please type Law Practice name to search

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- A C SHONE & CO.
- A L HUSSIEN & FAIZAL WAHYUNI
- A MOHAMED HASHIM
- A.ROHIM NOOR LILA & PARTNERS
- ABRAHAM LOGAN & PARTNERS
- ACHIEVERS LLC
- Adam Allan & Co
- ADVENT LAW CORPORATION
- AEGIS LLC
- AEQUITAS LAW LLP
- ALAIN A JOHNS PARTNERSHIP
- ALAN SHANKAR & LIM LLC
- ALICE YEO & CO.

Immediate Service ⓘ

Service upon acceptance of filing ⓘ

Deferred Service ⓘ

Fig 16. In Step 3: Admin Details, indicate any urgent processing, special request or waiver required. You can also opt to eServe the documents to another law firm.

STEP 1: Case Info STEP 2: Form **STEP 3: Admin Details** STEP 4: Submission

You are about to submit the following information:

1. [Case Information Details](#)
2. List of documents for this submission:
 - a. [WRIT FOR DIVORCE/NULLITY/JUDICIAL SEPARATION/PRESUMPTION OF DEATH AND DIVORCE](#)
 - b. [STATEMENT OF CLAIM](#)
 - c. [CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION FOR DEFENDANT](#)
 - d. [CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION FOR PLAINTIFF](#)
 - e. [STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS](#)
 - f. [REQUEST FOR SETTING DOWN ACTION FOR TRIAL](#)
 - g. [AFFIDAVIT OF EVIDENCE IN CHIEF \(Mary Lim\)](#)
3. [Hearing Date Request and other Administrative Details](#)

1. You are responsible for ensuring the accuracy and proper formatting of the information entered. When composing Eforms, please ensure that the text entered is consistent in font, colour and formatting. Please preview the Eforms before submission and make changes to ensure consistency. Your submission may be rejected or you may be required to refile if the Court finds inconsistency in the text entered in the Eform in any way.

2. You are advised to

- a. Review these documents and information entered before clicking on the "submit" button. If you need to make any changes, please go back by clicking on the "previous" button
- b. Retain a copy of your submission for your own records
- c. After submission, please check whether the documents have been sent (by checking your Sent box) and processed (by checking your Inbox)

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Fig 17. Review all information and documents before submission to the Court. Upon acceptance / approval by Court, the documents will be sent to your eLitigation inbox.