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## Why Choose Collaborative Law?

### **Here are a few of the major benefits of a collaborative divorce:**

Spouses agree in advance that they will not go to court, and will work out their agreement outside of the courtroom. This is the very essence of collaborative law.

In the vast majority of cases, a collaborative divorce is far less expensive than going to court.

You and your spouse maintain control of the process, rather than giving control to your attorneys or the judge. Collaborative attorneys guide you in the process, and draft all court documents and agreements.

Children benefit immensely from having parents who relate to one another in a cordial way, and cooperate to resolve issues. A collaborative divorce ends the marriage, while setting the tone for your work as co-parents.

Collaborative law promotes respect and communication. If you and your spouse have not communicated as well as you'd have liked in the past, this process will assist you in learning to communicate better going forward.

Collaborative law is a healthy, positive transition from one stage of your life to the next.

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