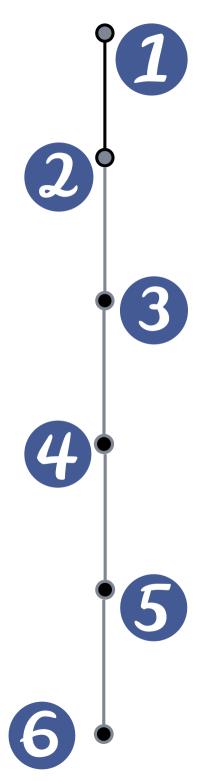
STEPS IN A CHILD CUSTODY CASE



- STEP 1: File a petition for child custody.
 This sets out the basic information required by the Texas Family Code. Your spouse, the respondent will be formally served with this petition.
- STEP 2: Your petition may include a request for a temporary orders hearing. This gets you a quick court orders for things such as custody possession of the children involved.
- STEP 3: To determine each party's positions and desired support arrangement, such as, estimated income and employer.
- STEP 4: If the respondent contests to the petition, the case will be taken before the judge, who may require both parties to participate in mediation. You and the respondent will meet with a neutral third party to negotiate and reach an arrangement.
- STEP 5: If both parties do not reach an arrangement during mediation, the case will go to trial, the majority being tried before a judge, but a trial by jury is possible.
- STEP 6: File Final Order for arrangement with the court.

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Our attorneys devote an exceptional amount of time towards every case to ensure we make no mistakes. We will always do what is in your interest.

Background

Joshua Carpenter established our firm in 2004, with the goal of helping as many people as possible. Throughout the years he has been able to expand his practice to more areas, and more clients.

