

Lawyers – Getting to Know Your Client

- Take a short history of the relationship, asking questions about role each has played in the marriage
- When decisions have been made, how have they been made?
- When things work well between you what does that look like?
- When things don't work well between you, what does this look like?
- What have brought you, or your partner, to this decision to divorce?
- Describe what you consider the major differences in how you see the outcome of this divorce?
- What 'really' matters to you? What are your interests and goals? Can we talk about the difference between interests and needs?
- What is likely to upset you during a meeting? How can we handle that together?
- What is likely to upset your partner during a meeting? How can we handle that together?
- Is there anyone else who will influence you – or that you have to answer to – as you go through this process?

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