

## Coercive or Domestic Violence: A Roadmap for Collaborative Lawyers

The following checklist provides a roadmap for collaborative lawyers with respect to coercive or domestic violence provisions of the UCLA.

### 1. Lawyer's "Reasonable Inquiry" Protocol

Is there a history of:

- Coercion and violence?
- Coercion with violence?
- Violence without coercion?

Conducted an assessment using any of these confidential disclosure opportunities:

- Interviews?
- Questionnaires?
- Monitoring?
- Documentary Search?

### 2. Default: No Collaborative Process

Request to Proceed by client?

- Informed Consent?  Yes  No

### 3. Participant Informed Consent

- Is it safe to participate?
- Might court involvement be needed?
- Is either party impaired?
- Is participation voluntary?
- Will both parties assert interests and make fair and voluntary agreements?
- Will both parties make disclosures and participate in good faith?
- What are the consequences of termination and disqualification?
- Do the collaborative lawyers have experience with coercive/domestic violence?
- Will and expert in coercive/domestic violence be involved in the process?
- What are other available alternatives?