

Family Law Process

Early Resolution Registries

Surrey and Victoria

Is this for me?



The **Early Resolution process** will apply when family law cases are filed in the Surrey Registry or the Victoria Registry of the Provincial Court of BC.

Early resolution applies to cases about:

- ➔ parenting arrangements
- ➔ child support
- ➔ contact with a child
- ➔ guardianship of a child
- ➔ spousal support

Where do I start?



Talk to the staff at the:

➔ **Surrey Justice Access Centre**
3rd Floor – 14340 57th Avenue
Phone: 604 501-8282
Toll-free: 1-800-663-7867

➔ **Victoria Justice Access Centre**
225 – 850 Burdett Avenue
Phone: 250 356-7012
Toll-free: 1-800-663-7867

If you need help with Protection, Priority Parenting Matters, Relocation, Consent or Enforcement, the Justice Access Centre staff can help you and also provide referrals and information on how to request time before a judge.

For more information please visit www.gov.bc.ca/family-early-resolution or www.provincialcourt.bc.ca/types-of-cases/family-matters

What will I do?



- ➔ Make an appointment and have your needs assessed by a qualified family justice counsellor and get information and referrals.
- ➔ Complete a Parenting After Separation course.
- ➔ Participate in at least one consensual dispute resolution session (unless exempted) where you can try to resolve your issues and improve communication.
- ➔ If you go to court, you will start with a Family Management Conference.



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