

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS
310th JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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Standing Order Regarding Self-Represented Litigants

To assist the Court in conducting its uncontested docket in an efficient manner, IT IS ORDERED that self-represented litigants in uncontested family law cases filed in the 310th District Court after June 17, 2022, may have their proposed final orders reviewed by the Harris County Domestic Relations Office (DRO).

Required criteria:

- *A petition for divorce, a suit affecting parent child relationship, or other family law case is currently pending in Harris County.*
- *The suit is uncontested, either by agreement (decree/order is signed by the other party) or default (other party has signed a global waiver or has been served and failed to file an answer following the prescribed time-period); and*
- *Neither party to the suit is presently represented by an attorney.*

For cases meeting the above criteria that are ready to be finalized, the self-represented litigant(s) shall apply and attach their final documents for review at www.dro.hctx.net under the "Self-Represented Assistance" tab, then contact the Domestic Relations Office, Legal Services Division (713-274-7393) to request a review.

As available, the DRO staff attorney shall review the final order/decree, any necessary attachments, and any other necessary documents. When satisfied that the final order meets form, the attorney will file a *Notice of Review*. The DRO staff attorneys do not provide legal advice or represent the self-represented litigant(s).

The litigant presenting the suit should not proceed to prove-up or submission until a DRO *Notice of Review* has been filed.

IT IS SO ORDERED on this the 24th day of April 2026.



SONYA L. HEATH
JUDGE, 310th DISTRICT COURT