



Timeline

Directions and purpose: Often families have so many moving parts and stories that it is difficult to get a sense of how different events are related in time. The purpose of the timeline is to help your evaluator get a sense of 1) the order of significant events in your family and 2) any collateral or corroborating evidence of these events. This will help identifying your collaterals as well. You can add or delete lines in the table by going to “Table Tools” → “Layout” to add or delete lines above or below where your cursor is on the table. You may begin at any point in time you would like. Some people begin when they first met the other party. Others begin when they married, had children, or separated. *The most important thing is to put these events in chronological order to the best of your ability.* You do not need the exact date unless it is important from your perspective. You can use month or even season (spring, summer, etc.) and the year. Give a brief description of the event. If it is important to corroborate (for example, if you believe the other party may deny this event or have a different story) provide any collateral source that might be available in the last column. Below you will find an example. Following the example is a blank template for you to complete. Use as many or as few lines as you need.

EXAMPLE

Date	Event	Collateral witness/information
4/05	Married John	
7/05	John left for the first time	
9/05	I got pregnant with Susie	
10/05	John moved back in	
11/4/05	John was admitted to shoal creek for psychotic break	Shoal Creek records
11/14/05	John was discharged from shoal creek and was going much better	
11/05-7/06	Things were much better. No serious problems or issues	
8/06	My mother died	
9/06	Discovered John was having an affair. Came home from work early to find him and Stephanie in bed together. John begged me for weeks to forgive him, but I couldn't.	Stephanie Jones 512-555-9487
10/06	I filed for divorce.	
10/06	After John was served he moved out, but started stalking me.	
11/06	Found out John put a key stroker device on my computer	Computer forensic lab report
12/06	John called my employer, claiming to be someone else and told my boss	Boss – Adam Knight – 512-555-3958

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