

Principles and Guidelines for Collaborative Family Law

VIII. Confidentiality

- We understand that any discussion or documents between or amongst a party, an attorney, or an expert retained or involved in this Collaborative Law case is deemed in the nature of settlement discussions, and unless we agree otherwise in writing shall not be disclosed to any court for any purpose. We understand that this rule is not intended to preclude admissibility of information that is properly obtained through discovery in subsequent litigation.
- We understand that any statement or action indicating an intent to endanger the safety of another person, or that which constitutes a claim or suspicion of child abuse, to conceal or change the residence of the child(ren), to commit irreparable economic damage to the property of either party, or an attorney's violation of the rules of professional conduct, is not privileged.
- We agree that no action or statement of a party or their attorney shall be deemed a waiver of any privilege in any subsequent divorce litigation or any other litigation between the parties.