

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

*SMU Legal Clinics*

**VanSickle Family Law Clinic Application Procedures**

Thank you for inquiring about legal representation at SMU VanSickle Family Law Clinic ("VanSickle Clinic"). The VanSickle Clinic limits its practice to *Dallas County Family District Courts* (venue) on the following family law matters: divorce, child custody, visitation, paternity, modifications, enforcement actions, child support, and adoption. *The VanSickle Clinic will*

*consider the following factors in determining whether to accept an applicant: (1)*

*(2) type of case; (3) income level and resources available to applicant; (4) the*

*applicant's ability to pay for legal services; and (5) the applicant's ability to*

*complete the application process. The VanSickle Clinic will not accept an*

*applicant who does not meet the above criteria. The VanSickle Clinic will not*

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**STEP 3:** Please review *Important Notice* below

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

If the SMU VanSickle Family Law Clinic accepts you as a client, your case will be handled primarily by student associates under the supervision of a clinical faculty member or supervising attorney. If your case is accepted by the SMU VanSickle Family Law Clinic, you understand and agree that your case

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**-FOR OFFICE USE ONLY-**

**Application #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Received:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Action:**

**SA:**

## APPLICATION FOR LEGAL REPRESENTATION

Please read our application procedure carefully. Please type or print all on the application as completely as possible and submit via

mail, fax or e-mail.\* Please do not send any documents with your application.

**VanSickle**

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

**Name:**

**Phone**

**Address:** [Street]

[City]

[State]

[Zip]

Describe your relationship to each of the persons living with you (for example spouse, child, parent, etc.)

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### EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

CHECK ONE: Full-time \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time \_\_\_\_\_ Unemployed \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

[Street]

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

[City] \_\_\_\_\_ [State] \_\_\_\_\_ [Zip Code] \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation:

Monthly Income: \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly Expenses (total amount): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

List of Expenses and Amounts:

| Other sources of income (social security, retirement, interest, dividends, etc.): |  |
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Type:

Amount:

**Work Phone Number:** ( )

**Occupation**

**Monthly Income:**

**Do you have access to your spouse's income:** Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No:

**WHO IS THE OPPOSING PARTY?**

**Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**[City)**

**[State]**

**[Zip Code]**

**Phone Number:**

**What county is your case in (or will be in if the case has not been filed)?**

**Do you have a court hearing or trial set? If so, when?**

**Have you been served with any documents? If so, when?**

**Please tell us about your legal matter in the space provided below:**

**: What would you like to see happen?**

Attorneys, like other professionals who advise on personal financial matters, are required by a federal law (the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act) to inform their clients of their

policy regarding privacy of client information. Attorneys have been and continue to be bound

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by professional standards of confidentiality that are even more stringent than those required by this new law. Therefore, we have always protected our clients' right to privacy. In the course of representing our clients, we receive all manner of significant personal financial information from them. If you become a client of the firm, you are advised that all information we receive from you will be held in confidence and not released to outside persons, except as agreed to by you or as