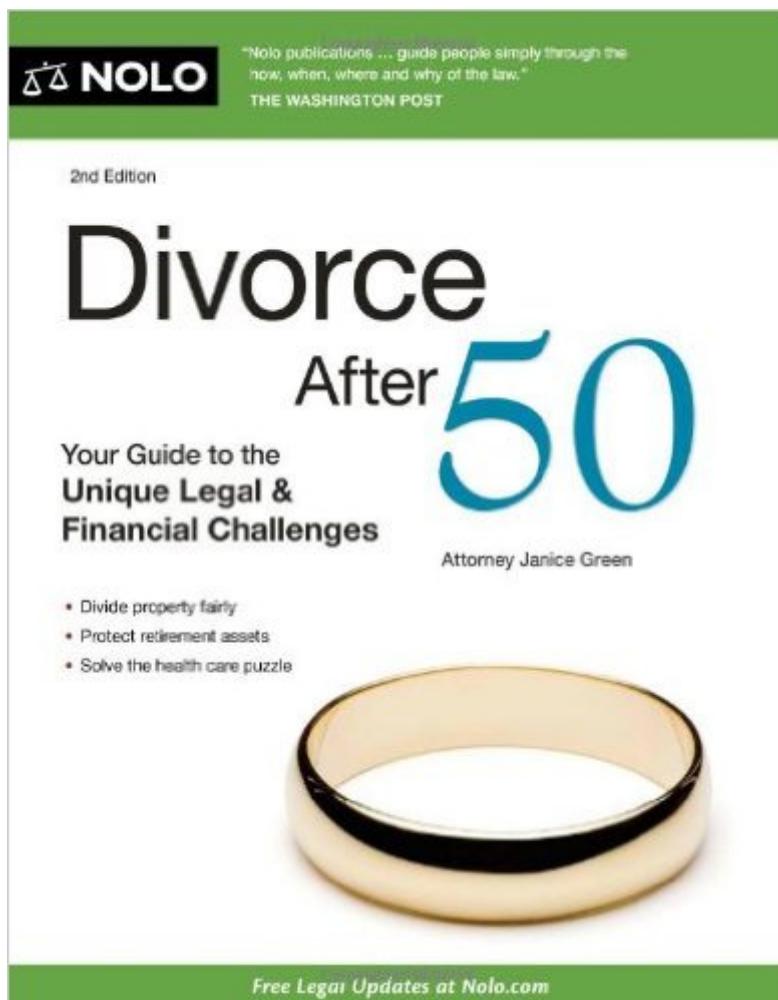


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# Divorce After 50: Your Guide To The Unique Legal & Financial Challenges



## **Synopsis**

Legal information and practical advice for older Americans dealing with divorce. Divorce rates are soaring among seniors, but the legal and emotional challenges you face as an older adult are different from those that apply to younger divorcees. That's why you need *Divorce After 50*, the only guide around that addresses the challenges unique to your age group. Written by an attorney who specializes in divorce among the over-50 age group, *Divorce After 50* covers these subjects and much more: how to get guidance from friends, family, and, as needed, lawyers. ways to divorce -- collaborative, mediated, contested, etc.. marital property: what it is, what you do with it, and how to divide assets and liabilities. how to survive financially during and after divorce. how health care and estate planning are impacted by divorce. alternatives to divorce, including post-nuptial agreements. You'll get all the information you need to decide whether and how to divorce, plus plenty of divorce survival stories that help you determine your options -- and show you that there is, indeed, life after divorce, no matter what your age.

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## **Customer Reviews**

I used this book to get my ducks in a row, so to speak. My husband handles our finances, and I didn't know what kinds of questions to ask him specifically to learn about his retirement plan, yearly income, bonus structure, stocks and bonds, assets, collectibles, etc. This book spells out exactly what to ask and how to get answers. I also wanted to read this book to learn about alternatives to divorce, how to decide which course of action best fit my circumstances, how to find effective legal

help, how to interview attorneys, how to assert myself, how to weigh the pros and cons of separating, what the reality of my situation would most likely be if we split up re: health care, finances, credit, insurance, retirement, so on and so forth. She asks that you view yourself from your spouse's perspective instead of through your own distorted thinking. Ms Green covers a LOT of ground here. I feel much more powerful, and was able to make an informed decision to focus on what was positive about our relationship instead of choosing to remain ignorant, feel like a victim, and focus on what was unhealthy about us. Very empowering book.

Attorney Janice Green has written the definitive book on late-life divorce. Chock-full of examples and written in an easy-to-read style, it's like having a compassionate friend, who also happens to be an expert, by your side as you traverse the challenges of divorce. In fact, when writing my own book, I contacted Janice to contribute her expertise, which she graciously did. If you need a one-stop guide that addresses all aspects of divorce after 50, get this book!Jan Cullinane, The Single Woman's Guide to Retirement

This book is a godsend. It's very readable without being condescending or using legalese. It covers all the topics anyone should think about when getting divorced at an older age - such as how to think about assets and debts, step-children, estate planning and basic survival of a divorce! Fabulous. I highly recommend it.

Whether or not you desire to divorce, if you are facing this situation in your fifties, there are many consequences, legal, financial and personal that you will want to consider as you work with your legal counsel. Everyone's situation is unique, and your attorney may be working on billable hours, meaning you should have your information, special requirements and questions in order before you go in for a meeting. In the confusion of the personal trauma (and whether or not you want a divorce, and have initiated it, there is trauma) you can forget what you need to know or to ask. This book is a valuable guide and if you are in divorce or considering it, I would strongly advise reading this excellent book. It is NOT a substitute for legal counsel but it is a valuable resource.

I ended up working things out with my husband, however, this book took "fear of the unknown" (legal-wise) out of the equation. No one should stay in a marriage because they don't know that they have another option.

Every NOLO book I've ever picked up has been very helpful and practical. This volume maintains the tradition. Very clear and pertinent advice for people going through the tragedy of divorce at an older age with special attention directed toward specific issues more common to folks over 50. Certainly not definitive (you'll still need a good attorney) but an excellent starting point.

I got this book for my mother, who is currently separated from my father. She is not planning on a divorce at this time, but they are estranged, and she wanted to be prepared should the need arise. My mother tells me that this book is very informative. Being a Nolo book, it's not only extensive, but easy to read, as well. It covers every topic relating to divorce, and even mentions legal separation, all with a special view to persons nearing retirement age or older. It tells you what types of divorces exist, what sort of things you need to be collecting (such as proof of infidelity or abuse) and it may even help you make the all-important decision of whether to get a divorce or a legal separation. It answered questions that my mother didn't know to ask! Highly recommended if you are middle-aged and find yourself in a situation where divorce might be pending. Get it well in advance, so you can be fully prepared for what you'll go through.

This book is pretty good. Its focus is on people that are over 50, but NOT yet retired. I am 69 and my wife is 70, so this book did not have much to contribute to us. It is good for "still working" persons over 50 years old.

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