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If a divorce action has been filed against you, please understand, you have certain rights and protections under Illinois law. It is important to be familiar with these rights and make sure that your interests, be they personal, financial or business, are not compromised by your spouse's divorce proceeding. At Lavelle Law, Ltd., we will work with you to aggressively protect these rights and our dedication and tenacity will make sure that you do not surrender or compromise anything to which you are entitled. Effective representation in a family law matter is a top priority. Our office handles all areas of family law, including contested and non-contested divorces, post-decree, custody, child support, visitation, alimony/maintenance, legal separation, prenuptial and postnuptial agreements, adoptions, paternity, orders of protection, collaborative divorces, and other related matters.

Legal matters related to family law can have a very personal effect on the people they concern, not only the parties, but also the children. I and the attorneys at Lavelle Law, Ltd. will provide the highest quality of legal services to all of our clients going through any legal conflict and to provide knowledge, guidance, advice and advocacy.

Even though your divorce case may be "uncontested," there may be important issues you overlooked and others of which you are unaware. Missing them now could lead to problems years down the road. For example, problems may arise in the way a retirement account was handled, property was transferred, or the way in which a parenting plan or child support order was written. By getting the assistance of a lawyer, you can be sure that all issues are addressed and that all documents are properly drafted.

Further, Illinois law allows you to have your spouse pay your attorneys' fees. The law prevents a party, such as your spouse, from using their wealth as a litigation tool against you in the divorce. By the having the court force your spouse to pay your fees, the court is essentially "leveling the playing field" so that neither party is at a financial disadvantage during the divorce proceeding.

Please contact my office to setup a **FREE** one-hour consultation at (847) 705-7555. We wish you the best of luck as you undergo this difficult time.