

A divorce can be one of the most stressful and emotionally involved experiences of your life. Questions like "Am I Ready For Divorce?" or "Do I Need An Attorney?" become crucially important. This book is designed to provide basic information about a Texas divorce proceeding. Although no substitute for the specific advice of an attorney about a particular situation, Ms. O'Neil and Ms. Russell provide essential information about a Texas divorce, including the four stages of a Texas divorce proceeding, the difference between a no-fault divorce and a fault divorce, how to approach dividing property in a Texas divorce, and the four issues that relate to children in a Texas divorce. This book is ideal for anyone wanting to educate themselves better on the process of a Texas divorce.

Michelle May O'Neil compassionately, yet relentlessly, represents her family law clients both in litigation at the trial and appellate court levels. Ms. O'Neil received the designation as a Texas Family Law Specialist by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in 1997 and has maintained that certification since. One judge said of Ms. O'Neil, "She cannot be out-gunned, out-briefed or out-lawyered!"

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### *Basics of Texas Divorce Law*

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