

Day #18: The Eleven Step Divorce Litigation  
Process, #10: The Intensive Settlement  
Conference

Hi,

Thanks again for Subscribing. Today we continue through our “eleven steps” for a contested New Jersey Divorce. Today we review the next to last step - The Intensive Settlement Conference. Today is a short lesson as we have to prepare for trial...it's upon us tomorrow!

### **Intensive Settlement Conference**

So, here we are, at the precipice of trial. This is the last attempt to settle before the final intensive trial preparations begin. This is it, the family law participant's last stand before trial.

The intensive settlement is basically a “lock-in.” The parties and their attorneys are required to come to Court and stay there all day. They may generally leave when they settle the case or the Court closes at 4:30PM. If an Agreement is not reached, then the

assumption is trial, although an Agreement between the parties may be worked out at any time, including during a trial.

By the time you're at an intensive settlement conference, you should be very close to settling the case. If not, then it's on to the eleventh and final step of the process: the Trial.

All the best,

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