

Unbundling Assessment Quiz

Indicators that Unbundling is Appropriate for You

	YES	NO
1. I can make good decisions under pressure.	_____	_____
2. I am good at handling details.	_____	_____
3. I follow through on deadlines.	_____	_____
4. I can easily ask for help when I am stuck.	_____	_____
5. I am very patient.	_____	_____
6. I can make decisions without being terrified of making the wrong decision.	_____	_____
7. I wash my own car and/or fix minor repairs in my home.	_____	_____
8. I usually follow my doctor's instructions.	_____	_____
9. I am not afraid to learn new skills and formats.	_____	_____
10. I am free from feelings of anger or revenge and can assume legal work in a detached way.	_____	_____
11. I can read technical documents effectively.	_____	_____
12. I can keep legal and technical documents organized.	_____	_____
13. I have time to spend representing myself.	_____	_____
14. I am not personally or legally dependent on family members or any third person to make legal decisions.	_____	_____
15. My eyesight, hearing, and other physical conditions permit me to represent myself.	_____	_____
16. I have at least one year of college education.	_____	_____
17. I have some legal training.	_____	_____
18. I am comfortable in paying a professional to help me with some of the work.	_____	_____
19. I have transportation to get me to the lawyer's office, to the court, and to the library to do legal research.	_____	_____
20. I like the idea of working with a lawyer and sharing the responsibility, based on my ability as well as hers.	_____	_____
21. I appreciate that my lawyer is willing to work with me to help me save fees.	_____	_____

If you answer "YES" to most of these questions, unbundling is probably appropriate for you. However, it is advisable for you to obtain full-service representation if the following apply to your case:

- Your case involves protracted and complex fact gathering and discovery.
- The other side is wealthy and there is an extreme imbalance of resources.
- You and the other side have an ongoing explosive or toxic personal relationship.
- Your doctor or counselor have advised that you are at risk for significant physical or emotional damage by self-representing.

(Adapted from Forrest S. Mosten's Guide to Unbundling Legal Services)