
Finding Divorce Files in Ontario

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Divorce files are typically filed at the county courthouse where the divorce hearing took place. They may include the petition for divorce, affidavits, the degree nisi and the decree absolute (also referred to as the judgement absolute). Some files may also include examinations, documents relating to child custody, copies of marriage certificates and photographs of the people involved. For divorces occurring in York County, see *Research Guide 211: Finding York County Divorce Files*.

Step 1: When did the divorce take place?

In order to find a divorce file, you need to know when the divorce took place. There are three sources of records for divorces in Ontario. They cover the periods 1867 to 1930, 1931 to 1986, and 1987 to the present.

For divorces that were granted between 1867 and 1930:

Until 1930, only the Federal Parliament could grant a divorce in Ontario through a Resolution or an Act of Parliament. Couples had to have a private member's bill (a bill that a Member of Parliament presented to the House of Commons) requesting that their divorce be granted.

All divorces granted by the Federal Parliament are indexed. [Click here to access the index on Library and Archives Canada's website](#). Divorces granted between 1867 and 1930 are also indexed in a book titled *Index to Canadian Parliamentary Divorces, 1867-1930*, by J. Brian Gilchrist and Nancy J. Duffy. This book is available in the Archives of Ontario's Reading Room and in major public libraries.

Resolutions and Acts of the Federal Parliament have been published, and most major libraries should hold a copy of them; [click here to access the Library and Archives Canada website for more information](#). For a certified copy of the Resolution or Act of Parliament for a divorce (needed for legal purposes), you must contact:

Office of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel
Senate of Canada
1310-40 Elgin Street
Ottawa ON K1A 0A4
613-992-2416

For divorces that were started between 1931 and 1980:

Since 1930, the Supreme Court of Ontario has had the power to grant a divorce. The Archives of Ontario holds all 1931–1980 Ontario divorce files.

- *If the divorce occurred in York County (Toronto), please see Research Guide 211: Finding York County Divorce Files.*
- *If you know only the approximate year of the divorce or the location where the divorce occurred, you will need to use an index either at the Archives or at the courthouse where the divorce was filed. (See Step 2 of this guide for more information.)*
- *If you know the county/district, the file number, and the year of the divorce, you have the information that you need to obtain the divorce file. (See Step 3 of this guide for more information.)*
- *If you do not find a reference to the divorce you are researching in the records mentioned under Steps 2 and 3 below, there is a small possibility that the divorce was granted through a resolution or act of Parliament (only up to July 1968). See the section on pre-1930 divorces above for more information.*

For divorces that were started between 1981 and 1986:

The Archives of Ontario holds 1981-1986 divorce files from most courthouses. Other divorce files are available only through the local courthouse where the divorce was filed.

Table 2 at the end of this guide lists which courthouses have transferred their 1981-1986 divorce files to the Archives as well as all courthouse addresses and telephone numbers. If the courthouse has transferred their divorce files to the Archives, see the section on 1931-1980 divorces above for more information. For all courthouses, you will need to find the *file number* and *year* of the divorce case. (See Step 2 of this guide.)

For divorces that were started from 1987 to the present:

These divorce files are available only through the local courthouse of the Superior Court of Justice where the divorce was filed. Table 2 at the end of this guide lists the courthouse addresses and telephone numbers. You will need to find the *file number* and *year* of the divorce case. (See Step 2 of this guide.)

Step 2: Use Indexes to Find the Divorce File:

To find a divorce file, you need the *file number*, the *year* of the divorce and the name of the *county or district* where the divorce took place. Depending on where and when

the divorce occurred, you will need to use an index either at the Archives of Ontario or at a county or district courthouse.

For divorces that were granted between 1931 and May 1949:

Go to the Archives or to the appropriate courthouse for the Index. The divorce files for these years are available only through the Archives. Unfortunately, the Archives does not have a province-wide index for these files. Each county or district courthouse created its own local procedure/judgement books of *Supreme Court Actions*. The Archives of Ontario has some of these books, but *most are still at the local courthouse where the divorce was filed*. To find the location of these index books for specific years, see Table 2 at the end of this guide. Once you know the courthouse, the file number and the year, go to Step 3 in this guide.

For divorces that were granted after June 1949 and started before July 1968:

Go to the Archives for the Index. The Archives has *Province-Wide Indexes to Applications for Decrees Absolute* listing all the Decrees Absolute (or Judgements Absolute) applied for in Ontario. [Click here to consult the description for series RG-5816](#). The indexes contain the *names* of the spouse seeking the divorce and the defendant(s), the *application date* for the Decree Absolute, the *city* where the application was filed and the *application number* that the court issued. These indexes are available on microfilm in the Archives' Reading Room.

Use Table 1 at the end of this guide to find the microfilm reel that has the index for the year that the Decree Absolute was applied for (usually the same year that the divorce was granted). Look up the married surname.

For divorces that were granted between June 1949 and October 1964:

Write down the *application date* of the Decree Absolute and the *city* where the divorce was granted. Before you order the Divorce File, you will need to consult a second index in order to obtain the *file number* assigned to the divorce proceedings. Consult Table 2 at the end of this guide in order to determine whether the index for the year that you need is at the Archives or still at the courthouse. Once you know the courthouse, the file number and the year, go to Step 3 in this guide.

For divorces granted after October 1964 and started before July 1968:

Write down the *file number* (generally the number on the first line), the *year*, and the *city* from the "Place-Writ No." column. Then, go to Step 3.

For divorces started from July 1968 to the present:

If you are looking for your own divorce records, or acting for the succession of a party to the divorce, *contact the Central Registry of Divorce Proceedings (CRDP)*. This is a Canada-wide record of divorce proceedings filed in a Canadian Court from July 1968 to

the present. Note: For divorces started in Wentworth County (Hamilton) after 1979, you need to contact the local courthouse to get the file number. See Table 2 at the end of this guide for contact information.

You can phone them at the number below, and leave a message with your full name at birth and birth date as well as the name and birth date of your former spouse, the date of marriage and the approximate date of your divorce. You can also visit the CRDP website, print a search request form and mail it to the address below. [Click here to access the CRDP webpage](#),

Should the CRDP identify a record matching the information provided, it can supply the *number* of the courthouse where the divorce took place, and the *file number* and *year* that you need to get your divorce file. Please note that the CRDP cannot confirm the status of a divorce proceeding or provide any legal document. Contact for the CDRP:

**Department of Justice
Central Registry of Divorce Proceedings
284 Wellington Street
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1A 0H8
613-957-4519**

If you are looking for another person's divorce file, you must use the indexes produced by the Supreme Court of Ontario in order to obtain the file number. See Table 2 at the end of this guide to find out if the index for the year of the divorce you are researching is with the Archives or the Courthouse.

Divorce files *prior to 1981* are available only through the Archives of Ontario. Once you know the courthouse, the file number and the year, go to Step 3 in this guide.

Divorce files *for 1981 to 1985* are available only through the Archives of Ontario for some local courthouses, and only through the local courthouses where the divorce was filed for the rest of the province. Table 2 at the end of this guide indicates which courthouses we have 1981-1985 divorce files from, and it contains a list of courthouse numbers, addresses and telephone numbers.

Divorce files *for 1986 and after* are available only through the local courthouse where the divorce was filed. Table 2 also contains a list of courthouse numbers, addresses and telephone numbers.

Step 3: Ordering a 1931–1980 Divorce File (1931-1985 for most local courthouses) at the Archives of Ontario

Once you have the *file number*, the *year* when the divorce case began, the *date* it was granted and the *county or district* where the divorce took place, you have the

information to order the divorce file. At this point, you should decide what documents you need from the Archives.

Do you need a certified copy of the court document granting the divorce, or other documents from the file?

Until 1968, the court document granting a divorce was called a **judgment absolute**; the name was changed to **decree absolute** in 1969. Since 1986, courts issue **divorce certificates** to confirm a divorce has occurred. The Archives of Ontario can provide certified copies of these documents, if it holds the divorce file and it contains those documents, along with other records that may exist in the file.

Divorce files are stored at an off-site location. It may take up to *14 business days* to retrieve, copy and certify records. There is a \$33.00 fee (plus HST) for certification. The certified copy can be mailed to you or picked up in person. Please note that the Archives' staff cannot indicate to you whether you require documents to be certified, or what documents you need to have certified; only the office you are submitting the copies to can answer this question.

Or

Do you need to see the entire file?

The Archives' divorce files are stored at an off-site location. It takes a *minimum of one business day* to retrieve them. Please note that original files can be viewed only in the Archives' Reading Room in Toronto. You can also order copies, if you know what documents you want from the file; [click here to view our reproduction service and fee schedule](#).

To request a divorce file or order copies, contact the Archives of Ontario; contact information appears at the end of this guide

Making Contact

Ready and Willing

Although unable to do your divorce records research for you, our reference archivists are waiting to assist you. You may telephone or write to them by mail or email or — best of all — visit the Archives of Ontario.

Contact us

Telephone: 416-327-1600 Toll free (Ontario): 1-800-668-9933

Fax: 416-327-1999

Email: [Click here to send an email to the Archives of Ontario.](#)

Address: Archives of Ontario, 134 Ian Macdonald Blvd., Toronto, ON M7A 2C5

Website

For information about the Archives' holdings, as well as access to research guides and other customer service materials available through the Archives of Ontario, [click here to access the Archives of Ontario website](#).

Customer Service and Research Guides

The Archives of Ontario has published a series of in-depth research guides on a variety of specific topics. For more information, please see "Research Guides and Tools" under "Accessing Our Collection" on the home page of the Archives website.

Table 1: Locating Decrees Absolute (or Judgements Absolute)

Province-Wide Indexes to Applications for Decrees Absolute (available on microfilm in the Archives' Reading Room)

Year(s) Indexed	Microfilm Reel
1949-1951	MS 5077
1951-1952	MS 5078
1953-1954	MS 5079
1955-1956	MS 5080
1957	MS 5081
1958	MS 5082
1959	MS 5083
1960	MS 5084
1961	MS 5085
1962	MS 5086
1963	MS 5087
1964	MS 5088
1965	MS 5089

Year(s) Indexed	Microfilm Reel
1966	MS 5090
1967	MS 5091
1968	MS 5092
1969 (divorces started before June 1968 and completed in 1969)	MS 5093
1970-1980 (divorces started before June 1968 and completed between 1970 and 1980)	MS 5094

Table 2: Locating Ontario Courthouses and divorce records

Courthouse	Courthouse Address	Indexes*	Files from 1931 to July, 1968	Files from July, 1968 to 1986**
<p>*For divorces started between October 1964 and June 1968, you can also consult the Province-Wide Indexes to Applications for Decrees Absolute at the Archives (see Step 2 in this Research Guide for more information). **Contact the appropriate courthouse for files from 1987- present day.</p>				
<p>Algoma Court #3539</p>	<p>Superior Court of Justice 426 Queen Street East Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6A 1Z7 705-945-8000, ext. 450</p>	<p>Contact the courthouse for indexes.</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1000 <i>Algoma District Supreme Court action and matter and criminal files</i></p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1002 <i>Algoma District divorce petition files</i></p>
<p>Brant Court #3505</p>	<p>Superior Court of Justice 70 Wellington Street Brantford, Ontario N3T 2L9 519-752-7828</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1117 <i>Judgement Books, 1931–1954</i> After 1954, contact the courthouse for indexes.</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1100 <i>Brant County Supreme Court action and matter files</i></p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1102 <i>Brant County divorce petition files</i></p>
<p>Bruce Court #3544</p>	<p>Superior Court of Justice 207 Cayley Street PO Box 39 Walkerton, Ontario N0G 2V0 519-881-1052</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1204 <i>Procedure Book, 1932–1954</i> After 1954, contact the courthouse for indexes.</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1200 <i>Bruce County Supreme Court action and matter files</i></p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1202 <i>Bruce County divorce petition files</i></p>
<p>Carleton</p>	<p>Superior Court of Justice 161 Elgin Street, 2nd</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the</p>

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Court #3528	Floor Ottawa, Ontario K2P 2K1 613-239-1274	description for RG 22-1304 <i>Procedure Books, 1927–1971</i> After 1971, contact the courthouse for indexes.	description for RG 22-1300 <i>Carleton County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	description for RG 22-1302 <i>Ottawa-Carleton Judicial District divorce records</i>
Cochrane Court #3510	Superior Court of Justice 149 Fourth Avenue PO Box 638 Cochrane, Ontario P0L 1C0 705-272-4256	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1404 <i>Procedure Book, 1921–1938</i> After 1938, contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1975: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1400 <i>Cochrane District Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Files started from 1976-1986: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1402 <i>Cochrane District divorce petition files</i>
Dufferin Court #3527	Superior Court of Justice 10 Louisa Street Orangeville, Ontario L9W 3P9 519-941-5802	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1500 <i>Dufferin County Supreme Court action and matter and criminal files</i>	At the Archives: Files started from July 1968-1982: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1500 <i>Dufferin County Supreme Court action and matter and criminal files</i> After 1982, contact the courthouse for the files.
Durham	Superior Court of Justice	At the Archives:	At the Archives:	At the Archives:

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Court #3546	150 Bond Street E. Oshawa , Ontario L1G 0A2 905-743 -2620	<p>For pre- 1974 indexes see Ontario</p> <p>Series Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1603 <i>Divorce Procedure Books</i>, 1973-1976</p> <p>After 1976, contact the courthouse for indexes.</p>	Files started from 1931-1973: see Ontario	Files started from 1974-1983: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1602 <i>Durham Judicial District Supreme Court divorce petition files</i> After 1983, contact the courthouse for the files.
Elgin Court #3537	Superior Court of Justice 4 Wellington Street St. Thomas , Ontario N5R 2P2 519-633-1720	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1700 <i>Elgin County Supreme Court action and matter and criminal files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1702 <i>Elgin County divorce petition files</i>
Essex Court #3547	Superior Court of Justice 245 Windsor Avenue Windsor , Ontario N9A 1J2 519-973-6620	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1804 <i>Procedure Books/Indexes</i> , 1931–1980 After 1980, contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1974: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1800 <i>Essex County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Files started from 1975-1986: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1802 <i>Essex County divorce petition files</i>
Frontenac	<i>(up to 1995)</i>	Contact the courthouse for	At the Archives:	At the Archives:

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Court #3519	Superior Court of Justice 5 Court Street Kingston , Ontario K7L 2W4 613-548-6811 <i>(after 1995)</i> Superior Court of Justice 469 Montreal St. Kingston , Ontario K7K 3h9	indexes.	Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1900 <i>Frontenac County Supreme Court action and matter and criminal files</i>	Click here to consult the description for RG 22-1902 <i>Frontenac County divorce petition files</i>
Glengarry — See Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry				
Grenville — See Leeds and Grenville				
Grey Court #3529	Superior Court of Justice 611 9 th Avenue East Owen Sound , Ontario N4K 6Z4 519-370-2430	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1970: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2000 <i>Grey County Supreme Court action and matter and criminal files</i>	At the Archives: Files started from 1970-1986: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2002 <i>Grey County divorce petition files</i>
Haldimand Court #3507	Superior Court of Justice 55 Munsee Street N. Cayuga , Ontario N0A 1E0 905-772-3335	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG – 2104 <i>Procedure Book, 1931–1967</i> After 1967: Contact the	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2100 <i>Haldimand County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2100 <i>Haldimand County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>

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Haliburton — See Victoria				
Halton Court #3524	Superior Court of Justice 491 Steeles Avenue East Milton , Ontario L9T 1Y7 905-878-7281	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2200 <i>Halton County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2202 <i>Halton Judicial District divorce petition files</i>
Hamilton-Wentworth — See Wentworth				
Hastings Court #3502	Superior Court of Justice 15 Bridge Street W. Belleville , Ontario K8P 0C7 613-962-9106	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2304 <i>Procedure Books, 1931–1967</i> After 1967, contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2300 <i>Hastings County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2302 <i>Hastings County divorce petition files</i>
Huron Court #3513	Superior Court of Justice 1 Courthouse Square PO Box 400 Goderich , Ontario N7A 1M2 519-524-2519	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1969: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2400 <i>Huron County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Files started from 1970-1985: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2402 <i>Huron County divorce petition files</i> After 1985, contact the courthouse for the files

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Kenora Court #3518	Superior Court of Justice 216 Water Street, Room 211 Kenora , Ontario P9N 1S4 807-468-2842	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1936-1968: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2500 <i>Kenora District Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2502 <i>Kenora District divorce petition files</i>
Kent Court #3508	Superior Court of Justice 425 Grand Ave. West Chatham , Ontario N7M 6M8 519-355-2200	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG – 2604 Procedure Books, 1931–1959 After 1959, contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2600 <i>Kent County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2602 <i>Kent County divorce petition files</i>
Lambton Court #3538	Superior Court of Justice 700 Christina Street North Sarnia , Ontario N7V 3C2 519-333-2950	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2700 <i>Lambton County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2702 <i>Lambton County divorce petition files</i>
Lanark Court #3532	Superior Court of Justice 43 Drummond Street East Perth , Ontario	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2800	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2802

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	K7H 1G1 613-267-2021		<i>Lanark County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	<i>Lanark County divorce petition files</i>
Leeds and Grenville Court #3506	Superior Court of Justice 41 Court House Square Brockville , Ontario K6V 7N3 613-341-2800	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1969: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2900 <i>Leeds and Grenville United Counties County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: File started from 1970-1986: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-2902 <i>Leeds and Grenville United Counties divorce petition files.</i>
Lennox and Addington Court #3525	Superior Court of Justice 51 Dundas Street W. Napanee , Ontario K7R 1Z5 613-354-3845	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3000 <i>Lennox and Addington County Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3002 <i>Lennox and Addington County divorce petition files</i>
Lincoln Court #3536	Superior Court of Justice 59 Church Street, 1 st Floor St. Catharines , Ontario L2R 7N8 905-988-6200	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3100 <i>Lincoln County Supreme Court action</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3102 <i>Niagara North Judicial District divorce petition</i>

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			<i>and matter files</i>	<i>files</i>
Manitoulin Court #3514	Superior Court of Justice 27 Phipps Street Gore Bay , Ontario P0P 1H0 705-282-2461	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1968: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3200 <i>Manitoulin District Supreme Court action and matter files</i>	At the Archives: Files started from 1969-1985: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3202 <i>Manitoulin District divorce petition files</i> After 1985, contact the courthouse for the files.
Middlesex Court #3522	Superior Court of Justice 80 Dundas Street Ground Floor, Unit A London , Ontario N6A 6A3 519-660-3044	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3304 <i>Procedure Books, 1931–1975</i> Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3308 <i>Divorce Procedure Book, 1976</i> After 1976, contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1975: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3300 <i>Middlesex County Supreme Court action and matter files</i> Consult <i>Middlesex (London) transfer codes</i> listing prior to ordering 1968-1977 records. See reference archivist for more information	At the Archives: Files started from 1976-1986: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3302 <i>Middlesex County divorce petition files</i> Consult <i>Middlesex (London) transfer codes</i> listing prior to ordering 1968-1977 records. See reference archivist for more information.
Muskoka	Superior Court of Justice	Contact the courthouse for	At the Archives:	At the Archives:

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Court #3503	3 Dominion Street Bracebridge , Ontario P1L 2E6 705-645-8793	indexes.	Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3400 Muskoka District Supreme Court action and matter files	Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3402 Muskoka District divorce petition files
Niagara North — See Lincoln				
Niagara South — See Welland				
Nipissing Court #3526	Superior Court of Justice 360 Plouffe Street North Bay , Ontario P1B 9L5 705-495-8309	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1973: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3500 Nipissing District Supreme Court action and matter files	At the Archives: Files started after 1973: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3502 Nipissing District divorce petition files
Norfolk Court #3540	Superior Court of Justice Suite 301 – 50 Frederick Hobson VC Drive Simcoe , Ontario N3Y 0E4 519-426-6550	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3604 Procedure Books, 1931–1965 After 1965: Contact the courthouse for indexes	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3600 Norfolk County Supreme Court action and matter files	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3602 Norfolk County divorce petition files
Northumberland and Durham	Superior Court of Justice 860 William Street Cobourg , Ontario	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3723	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1978:	At the Archives: Files started from 1979-1986:

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Court #3509	K9A 3A9 905-372-3751	<i>Procedure Books, 1931–1969</i> After 1965: Contact the courthouse for indexes	Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3700 <i>Northumberland and Durham United Counties Supreme Court action and matters and criminal files</i>	Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3702 <i>Northumberland and Durham United Counties Supreme Court divorce petition files</i>
Ontario	See Durham	<p>At the Archives:</p> <p>Series Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3804 <i>Procedure Books, 1931-1970</i></p> <p>Series Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3803 <i>Divorce Procedure Book, 1971-1972</i></p> <p>For post -1972 indexes see Durham</p>	<p>At the Archives:</p> <p>Files started from 1931-1970:</p> <p>Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3800 <i>Ontario County Supreme Court action and matters files</i></p>	<p>At the Archives:</p> <p>Files started from 1971-1973:</p> <p>Click here to consult the description for RG 22-3802 <i>Ontario County Supreme Court divorce petition files</i></p> <p>Files started after 1973: see Durham</p>
Ottawa-Carleton — See Carleton				
Oxford Court #3548	Superior Court of Justice 415 Hunter Street Woodstock, Ontario	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-

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	N4S 4G6 519-539-6187		3900 <i>Oxford County Supreme Court action and matters files</i>	3902 <i>Oxford County Supreme Court divorce petition files</i>
Parry Sound Court #3530	Superior Court of Justice 89 James Street Parry Sound, Ontario P2A 1T7 705-746-4251	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4000 <i>Parry Sound District Supreme Court action and matters files</i>	At the Archives: Files started from 1968-1986: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4002 <i>Parry Sound District divorce petition files</i>
Peel Court #3504	Superior Court of Justice 7755 Hurontario Street Brampton, Ontario L6W 4T1 905-456-4700	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4104 <i>Procedure Books, 1931–1966</i> After 1966: Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4100 <i>Peel County Supreme Court action and matters files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4102 <i>Peel County divorce petition files</i>
Perth Court #3541	Superior Court of Justice 1 Huron Street Stratford, Ontario N5A 5S4 519-271-1850	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4200 <i>Perth County Supreme Court action and</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4202 <i>Perth County divorce petition files</i>

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			<i>matters files</i>	
Peterborough Court #3533	Superior Court of Justice 470 Water Street Peterborough , Ontario K9H 3M3 705-876-3815	1931-1966: All files are arranged alphabetically by defendant name (married name for the wife). After 1966: Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4300 <i>Peterborough County Supreme Court action and matters files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4302 <i>Peterborough County divorce petition files</i>
Prescott and Russell Court #3523	Superior Court of Justice 59 Court Street, 2 nd Floor P.O. Box 306 L'Orignal , Ontario K0B 1K0 613-675-4567	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1969: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4400 <i>Prescott and Russell United Counties Supreme Court action and matters files</i>	At the Archives: Files started from 1970-1986: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4402 <i>Prescott and Russell United Counties divorce petition files</i>
Prince Edward Court #3534	Superior Court of Justice 44 Union Street PO Box 680 Picton , Ontario K0K 2T0 613-476-6236	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4500 Prince Edward County Supreme Court action and matters and criminal files	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4502 Prince Edward County divorce petition files
Rainy River Court #3512	Superior Court of Justice 333 Church Street Fort Frances , Ontario	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4604	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-

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	P9A 1C9 807-274-5961	<i>Procedure Book, 1931–1934</i> After 1934, contact the courthouse for indexes.	4600 <i>Rainy River District Supreme Court action and matters files</i>	4602 <i>Rainy River District divorce petition files</i>
Renfrew Court #3531	Superior Court of Justice 297 Pembroke Street E. Pembroke , Ontario K8A 3K2 613-732-8581	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4704 <i>Procedure Books, 1934–1969</i> After 1969, contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4700 <i>Renfrew County Supreme Court action and matters files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4702 <i>Renfrew County divorce petition files</i>
Simcoe Court #3501	Superior Court of Justice 75 Mulcaster Street Barrie , Ontario L4M 3P2 705-739-6111	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4800 <i>Simcoe County Supreme Court action and matters files</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4802 <i>Simcoe County divorce petition files</i>
Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Court #3511	Superior Court of Justice 29 Second Street Cornwall , Ontario K6J 1G3 613-933-7500	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Files started from 1931-1976: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-4900 <i>Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry United Counties Supreme</i>	At the Archives: Files started from 1977-1986: RG 22-4902 <i>Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry United Counties divorce petition files</i>

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			<i>Court action and matter files</i>	
Sudbury Court #3542	Superior Court of Justice 155 Elm Street Sudbury , Ontario P3C 1T9 705-564-7600	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5000 Sudbury District Supreme Court action and matter files	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5002 Sudbury District divorce petition files
Thunder Bay Court #3535	Superior Court of Justice 125 Brodie Street N. Thunder Bay , Ontario P7C 0A3 807-626-7100	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5200 Thunder Bay District Supreme Court action and matters and criminal files	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5202 Thunder Bay District divorce petition files
Timiskaming Court #3516	Superior Court of Justice 393 Main Street PO Box 609 Haileybury , Ontario P0J 1K0 705-672-3321	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5100 Timiskaming District Supreme Court action and matters files	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5102 Timiskaming District divorce petition files
Toronto Court #3543	Family Law Office 393 University Avenue 10 th Floor Toronto , Ontario M5G 1E6 416-326-4230	At the Archives: Click here to consult Research Guide No. 211: Finding York County Divorce Files for more information on how to locate records held at the Archives of Ontario.		
Victoria	Superior Court of Justice	Contact the courthouse for	At the Archives:	At the Archives:

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Court #3521	440 Kent Street West Lindsay , Ontario K9V 6K2 705-324-1400	indexes.	Files started from 1931-1976 : Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5300 <i>Victoria County Supreme Court action and matters files</i>	Files started from 1977-1982 : Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5302 <i>Victoria County divorce petition files</i> After 1982, contact the courthouse for the files.
Waterloo Court #3520	Superior Court of Justice 85 Frederick Street Kitchener , Ontario N2H 0A7 519-741-3200 519-742-3300	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5405 <i>Judgement Books, 1929–1949</i> Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5404 <i>Procedure Books, 1949–1968</i> After 1968, contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5400 <i>Waterloo County Supreme Court action and matters files</i>	At the Archives: Files started from 1968-1980 : Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5402 <i>Waterloo County divorce petition files</i> After 1980, contact the courthouse for the files.
Welland Court #3545	Superior Court of Justice 102 Main Street Welland , Ontario L3B 3W6 905-735-0010	Contact the courthouse for indexes.	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5500 <i>Welland County Supreme Court action</i>	At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5502 <i>Niagara South Judicial District divorce</i>

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<p>Wellington</p> <p>Court #3515</p>	<p>Superior Court of Justice 74 Woolwich Street Guelph, Ontario N1H 3T9 519-824-4100</p>	<p>Contact the courthouse for indexes.</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5600 <i>Wellington County Supreme Court action and matters files</i></p>	<p>At the Archives: Files started from 1968-1986: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5600 <i>Wellington County Supreme Court action and matters files</i></p>
<p>Wentworth</p> <p>Court #3517 (Supreme Court of Ontario)</p> <p>Court #3549 (United Family Court)</p>	<p>Filed before July 1981: Superior Court of Justice 45 Main Street East Hamilton, Ontario L8N 2B7 905-645-5252</p> <p>Filed after June 1981: Unified Family Court 55 Main Street West Hamilton, Ontario L8P 1H4 905-645-6250</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5704 <i>Procedure Books, 1927–1970</i></p> <p>Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5739 <i>Wentworth County Supreme Court divorce procedure cards, 1957-1975.</i></p> <p>After 1975, contact the relevant courthouse at left for indexes.</p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5700 <i>Wentworth County Supreme Court action and matters files</i></p>	<p>At the Archives: Click here to consult the description for RG 22-5702 <i>Wentworth County divorce petition files</i></p>
<p>York</p>	<p>Before June 1981 – see</p>	<p>At the Archives:</p>		

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Court #3550	Toronto June 1981-present: Regional Municipality of York Civil Office Superior Court of Justice 50 Eagle Street West Room 2025 Newmarket , Ontario L3Y 6B1 905-853-4809	<p>Click here to consult Research Guide No. 211: Finding York County Divorce Files for more information on how to locate records held at the Archives of</p>		

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