

Evaluate Support on a Single Computer Screen

Once case facts have been entered, a SINGLE ANALYSIS SCREEN is used to evaluate different alimony and child support alternatives. Change alimony and child support amounts and see after-tax cash impact on the settlement. Switch children under 17 at the top to see tax savings from dependency exemption and under age 17 child tax credit at the bottom. Once you have a case you want, store it in the Summary Report on Support. Change support amounts to structure a settlement that makes tax sense and gets the client to the share of AFTER-TAX CASH to meet living expenses which YOU WANT.

ALL KEY VARIABLES FOR SUPPORT DECISION ARE SHOWN ON THIS SCREEN

To get to this screen, choose: Support Analysis menu, Split Screen Summary Analysis.

Change Data at Top	John	Mary			Top part of screen is Input area
Filing Status	Single	Hd Hsld	Automatic Spt =	YES	
No. of Children 17 and Over	0	0	Child Support	0	
No. of Children Under Age 17	0	1	Alimony	24,220	
Monthly Budget Amount	3,600	4,200	NonTaxable Maint	0	
Children Residing With (PRP)	0	0			
No. Shared 1 Overnights	150	215	Software calculates FL child support.		
% of Time with Each Parent	41%	59%			
Salary	84,000	25,000	Including Shared		
Self-Employment Income	12,000	0			

Recalculate & View Results	2008 Annual Numbers			Monthly Numbers		Bottom part Shows results
	John	Mary	Total	John	Mary	
After-Tax Cash for Living Expenses	49,456	50,400	99,856	4,121	4,200	
% Share	49.5%	50.5%	100%			
Budget Cash	43,200	50,400	93,600	3,600	4,200	
Over/Under Budget	6,256	0	6,256	521	0	
Monthly Cash-Child Support	4,453	3,868	8,321	Payor's %	53.52%	
Child Support (Annual)	(3,960)	3,984	(332)	Per Month	20%	
Tax Saved Child Dep Exempt	0	525	525			
Tax Saved Under 17 Child Cr	0	1,000	1,000	Guideline Child Support		
Child Cr not Allowed	0	0		Payor Share/Mon (332)		
Tax Savings from Alimony	6,276	(3,691)	2,585	Spt as % Payor Gross		
Alt Min Tax Incl in Fed Tax	0	0	0	Income 4.1%		
Marg Tax % Incl in State Tax	25.0%	15.0%				
Adjusted Gross Income	72,132	51,620		Max 2008 Alimony		
Federal Income Tax	12,019	2,691	14,710	No Recapture	39,220	

This is last case of Support Summary exhibit. You can immediately see the after-tax impact of using more alimony on bottom line cash flow for both parties. Different mixes of alimony and child support can be easily assessed. You instantly see taxes saved from the child dependency exemption and underage 17 child tax credit. You can determine the tax savings from the child dependency exemption and child tax credit if either party claims the children. It's simple to figure out who should "take the kids" and detailed reports are available to show how the numbers on this screen are computed. All the federal tax tables are available on-screen to make this analysis simple.

FinPlan Divorce Planner's single screen analysis lets you quickly determine how to get your clients to the best possible settlement because you KNOW the TAX IMPACT of different options is accurate.