

Nova Scotia Courts that have jurisdiction over Family Law Proceedings including Divorces

Supreme Court of Nova Scotia

Primary Areas of Jurisdiction

- Divorces and Corollary Relief under the *Divorce Act*
- *Matrimonial Property Act* - Property Division
- Common Law Spouses - Property Division
- Adoptions

Family Court for the Province of Nova Scotia

Primary Areas of Jurisdiction

- *Parenting and Support Act*
 - includes children whose parents are not married
- *Children and Family Services Act* (except adoptions)

Supreme Court of Nova Scotia

Judicature Act
Federally Appointed Judges

Family Court for the Province of Nova Scotia

Family Court Act
Provincially Appointed Judges

Where Located:

All Counties in Nova Scotia (except HRM) and all of Cape Breton

Supreme Court of Nova Scotia (Family Division)

S. 32A of *Judicature Act*
Federally Appointed Judges

Where Located:

HRM and Cape Breton

Supreme Court of Nova Scotia (Family Division)

Areas of Jurisdiction

- All of the Areas of the other two courts

For More Information, visit:

The Courts of Nova Scotia website at

<http://www.courts.ns.ca/>

The Family Law Nova Scotia website at

<http://www.nsfamilylaw.ca/>