



Alimony Factors

Rehabilitative Alimony

1. Income and expenses of the parties
2. Health and earning capacity of the parties
3. Needs of each party
4. Obligations and assets of each party
5. Length of the marriage
6. Presence or absence of minor children in the home
7. Age of the parties
8. Standard of living of the parties during marriage and at support determination
9. Tax consequences
10. Fault or misconduct
11. Wasteful dissipation of assets by either party
12. Any other equitable factors

Lump Sum Alimony “Cheatham Factors”

1. Whether the spouse seeking lump sum alimony made a substantial contribution to the potential payor’s accumulation of wealth
2. Length of marriage
3. Disparity between the separate estates
4. Whether the spouse seeking lump sum alimony would lack financial security in the absence of an award of lump sum alimony

Periodic Alimony “Armstrong Factors”

1. Income and expenses of the parties
2. The health and earning capacity of the parties
3. The needs of each party
4. The obligations and assets of each party
5. The length of the marriage
6. The presence or absence of minor children in the home
7. The age of the parties
8. The standard of living of the parties
9. The tax consequences of spousal support
10. Fault or misconduct
11. Wasteful dissipation of assets by either party
12. Any other factor deemed by the court to be just