

IN THE FAMILY JUSTICE COURTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

FAMILY JUSTICE COURTS PRACTICE DIRECTIONS

AMENDMENT NO. 2 OF 2024

1. It is hereby notified for general information that amendments have been made to Part VI and Appendix A of the Family Justice Courts Practice Directions. The amendments are summarised below: -
 - (a) Amendments to paragraph 14 on Particulars of Statement of Claim;
 - (b) Amendments to paragraph 15 on Request for simplified hearing track for divorce proceedings where parties have agreed on ancillary matters;
 - (c) Amendments to Form 6 (Statement of Claim (Divorce/Judicial Separation)) of Appendix A;
 - (d) Amendments to Form 21 (Defence and/or Counterclaim) of Appendix A;
 - (e) Amendments to Form 29 (Request for Setting Down) of Appendix A;
 - (f) Amendments to Form 203 (Request for Dispensation of Parties' Attendance at the Uncontested Divorce Hearing) of Appendix A; and
 - (g) Addition of Form 271 (Agreement that Marriage has Irretrievably Broken Down) at Appendix A.
2. The amendments will take effect on 1 July 2024 and will be reflected at <https://epd2015-familyjusticecourts.judiciary.gov.sg> from 1 July 2024.
3. Please find attached a document reflecting the marked-up amendments to the Practice Directions.

Dated this 14th day of June 2024



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REGISTRAR
FAMILY JUSTICE COURTS

Part VI – Proceedings for the Dissolution of Marriage under Part X of Women’s Charter

14. Particulars of Statement of Claim

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Statement of Particulars

- (5) The Statement of Particulars to be filed pursuant to rule 44(1)(b) of the Family Justice Rules must state the following information:

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Separation

- (f) where a statement of claim pleads facts that are based on section 95~~(3)~~A(1)(d) or (e) of the Women’s Charter (Cap. 353) (i.e. 3 years’ separation with consent and 4 years’ separation respectively), the Statement of Particulars must specifically contain the following particulars:

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- (6) The Statement of Particulars must include the following documents as annexures:

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- (c) a copy of the Ministry of Law Insolvency Office bankruptcy search against the Plaintiff showing the results of the search (e.g. whether the search is negative or if it shows that the Plaintiff is a bankrupt or that there are pending bankruptcy proceedings against the Plaintiff); ~~and~~

- (d) a copy of the Ministry of Law Insolvency Office bankruptcy search against the Defendant showing the results of the search (e.g. whether the search is negative or if it shows that the Defendant is a bankrupt or that there are pending bankruptcy proceedings against the Defendant); ~~and~~

- (e) if the parties are applying under section 95A(1)(f) of the Women’s Charter, a copy of an agreement that the marriage has irretrievably broken down in Form 271.

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Counterclaim

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(9) If the parties are relying on section 95A(1)(f) of the Women's Charter in the Counterclaim, a copy of an agreement that the marriage has irretrievably broken down in Form 271 must be annexed to the Counterclaim.

15. Request for simplified hearing track for divorce proceedings where parties have agreed on ancillary matters

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How to apply for simplified uncontested divorce proceedings

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(6) The following documents must be filed together with the Writ for Divorce:

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(c) Request for Setting Down Trial for Action (in Form 29 of Appendix A to these Practice Directions); ~~and~~

(d) Plaintiff's Affidavit of Evidence in Chief;

(e) If the Plaintiff is a prescribed party under section 94A of the Women's Charter, one of the following documents:-

(i) a certificate (issued by a person appointed under section 94A(9)(b) of the Women's Charter to conduct a parenting programme), stating that the Plaintiff has completed a parenting programme;

(ii) a note (issued by a Director of the Ministry of Social and Family Development) stating that the Plaintiff is an excluded party;

(iii) an Order of Court allowing the Plaintiff to file the Writ for Divorce under section 94A(4)(a) of the Women's Charter and dispensing with the requirements in sub-paragraphs 6(e)(i) and (ii) above for the purposes of filing on the simplified uncontested hearing track; and

(f) if the Defendant is a prescribed party under section 94A of the Women's Charter, one of the following documents:-

(i) a certificate (issued by a person appointed under section 94A(9)(b) of the Women's Charter to conduct a parenting programme), stating that the Defendant has completed a parenting programme;

(ii) a note (issued by a Director of the Ministry of Social and Family Development) stating that the Defendant is an excluded party;

(iii) an Order of Court dispensing with the requirements in sub-paragraphs 6(f)(i) and (ii) above for the purposes of filing on the simplified uncontested hearing track.

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Appendix A

Form 6

R. 44, 48, 83

(STATEMENT OF CLAIM (DIVORCE/JUDICIAL SEPARATION) FORM)
IN THE FAMILY JUSTICE COURTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE
Divorce Writ No.

Between

[*Plaintiff's Name*] (ID No.) *Plaintiff*

And

[*Defendant's Name*] (ID No.) *Defendant*

STATEMENT OF CLAIM FOR NULLITY*/DIVORCE*/JUDICIAL SEPARATION*/PRESUMPTION OF DEATH AND DIVORCE*

1. The Marriage between Plaintiff and Defendant (the marriage)

- (a) Date and place of solemnization of the marriage:
- (b) Date and place of registration of the marriage:
- (c) *Marriage Certificate Number (for marriage registered in Singapore):
- (d) *The date of the marriage is less than 3 years before the date of filing of this Writ. The court has granted leave to the Plaintiff to file this Writ before the said 3 years have passed on [*to state date*] in Originating Summons Number [*to state number*]*.

[*The Statement of Particulars shall annex a copy of the marriage certificate.*]

2. Particulars of Parties

(a) Plaintiff

Age:		Citizenship:	
Religion:		Education Level:	
Occupation:		Current address:	

(b) Defendant

Age:		Citizenship:	
Religion:		Education Level:	
Occupation:		Current address:	

- (c) The last address at which the parties to the marriage have lived together as husband and wife:

[*to state address*]

3. Jurisdiction

- (a) *The court has jurisdiction based on domicile. [*Choose one of the following*]

- (i) The Plaintiff/The Defendant/Both the Plaintiff and the Defendant* is a/are* Singapore citizen(s).
- (ii) Neither the Plaintiff nor the Defendant is a Singapore citizen. [*The Statement of Particulars shall set out the reasons for which the court has jurisdiction based on domicile.*]
- (b) *The court has jurisdiction based on habitual residence. [*Choose one of the following*]
- (i) The Plaintiff has been habitually resident in Singapore for a period of 3 years immediately preceding the date of the filing of the writ.
- (ii) The Defendant has been habitually resident in Singapore for a period of 3 years immediately preceding the date of the filing of the writ.
- [*The Statement of Particulars is to state the relevant details in either case, including:*
- (A) *Address(es) of the place(s) of residence; and*
- (B) *The length of residence at each place.*]

4. Children

[*To state, in respect of each living child of the marriage*]

S/N	Name of child:	BC/ID number:	Gender:
	Date of Birth:		
	Any disability or illness?	[<i>If the child is suffering from serious disability or chronic illness or from the effects of that illness, state the nature of the disability or illness and in the Statement of Particulars, attach a copy of any up-to-date medical report which is available.</i>]	
	Child over 21 (whether in educational institution, national service, or mentally/physically disabled)	[<i>In the case of a child above the age of 21 years, to state whether he is receiving instruction at an educational establishment or undergoing training for a trade, profession or vocation and whether he is suffering from a mental or physical disability and whether he is or will be serving full-time national service.*</i>]	
	Is child under care?	[<i>If the child is under the care or custody of an approved school or approved home established under the Children and Young Persons Act (Cap. 38), give details, and state the date of any order for care or custody and the circumstances which gave rise to its being made.</i>]	

The following child(ren) are born to the wife during the marriage:

S/N.	Name of child:		BC/ID number:	
	Date of Birth:		Gender:	
	Is there a dispute whether the living child is a child of the marriage?			

5. Related Proceedings

To state if there are or have been other proceedings in [*Singapore/elsewhere (to specify)*] with reference to the marriage, or to any children of the marriage, or between the Plaintiff and the Defendant with reference to maintenance or to any property of either or both of them.

If there are or have been such proceedings, to complete the following section:

S/N	Nature of proceedings:			
	Suit number:		Date of Decree/order/judgment:	
	Date of application		Country where proceedings filed:	
	Details of Order applied/made:			
	Status of Proceedings if no Decree/order/judgment made:			
	Plaintiff Bankruptcy Details:			
	Pending Bankruptcy Details:	[The Statement of Particulars is to state details of the pending bankruptcy proceedings.]		

6. Ground on which Relief is Sought [*Choose one of the following*]

The marriage is void

- (a) *(For marriages that took place after 1st June 1981) The marriage is not valid under section 105 of the Women's Charter: [*Choose one or more of the following*]
- (i) by virtue of section 3(4)/5/9/10/11/12/22* of the Women's Charter
 - (ii) (*for marriages celebrated outside Singapore*) for the lack of capacity
 - (iii) (*for marriages celebrated outside Singapore*) under the law of the place in which the marriage was celebrated.

- (b) *(For marriages that took place on or before 1st June 1981) The marriage is not valid for the reasons stated in the Statement of Particulars.
- (c) *(For marriages that took place on or after 1 July 2016) The marriage is not valid by virtue of s11A of the Women's Charter.

OR

The marriage is voidable

- (a) *(For marriages that took place after 1st June 1981) The marriage is voidable under section 106 of the Women's Charter on the following ground(s): [*Choose one or more of the following*]
 - (i) That the marriage has not been consummated owing to the incapacity of either party [*please specify*] to consummate it.
 - (ii) That the marriage has not been consummated owing to the wilful refusal of the Defendant to consummate it.
 - (iii) That the Plaintiff/Defendant* did not validly consent to the marriage, in consequence of duress and/or mistake* and/or unsoundness of mind/lack of capacity* and/or the facts stated in the Statement of Particulars [*please specify in the Statement of Particulars*].
 - (iv) That at the time of the marriage the Plaintiff/Defendant* though capable of giving a valid consent, was suffering (whether continuously or intermittently) from mental disorder within the meaning of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) Act (Cap. 178A) of such a kind or to such an extent as to be unfit for marriage.
 - (v) That at the time of the marriage the Defendant was suffering from venereal disease in a communicable form, and the Plaintiff was at the time of the marriage ignorant of the facts alleged.
 - (vi) That at the time of the marriage the Defendant was pregnant by some person other than the Plaintiff and the Plaintiff was at the time of the marriage ignorant of the facts alleged.
- (b) *(For marriages that took place on or before 1st June 1981) The marriage is voidable for the reasons stated in the Statement of Particulars.
[*Full particulars of the individual facts relied on but not the evidence by which they are to be proved, and any other relevant information, to be stated in the Statement of Particulars.*]

OR

The marriage has broken down irretrievably*

Fact(s) relied upon for the irretrievable breakdown of the marriage (for the purposes of section 95~~(3)~~A of the Women's Charter): [*Choose one or more of the following*]

- (a) That the Defendant has committed adultery and the Plaintiff finds it intolerable to live with the Defendant.
- (b) That the Defendant has behaved in such a way that the Plaintiff cannot reasonably be expected to live with the Defendant.
- (c) That the Defendant has deserted the Plaintiff for a continuous period of at least 2 years immediately preceding the filing of the writ.

- (d) That the parties to the marriage have lived apart for a continuous period of at least 3 years immediately preceding the filing of the writ and the Defendant consents to a judgment being granted. [*The Statement of Particulars is to annex a copy of the Defendant's consent if available.*]
- (e) That the parties to the marriage have lived apart for a continuous period of at least 4 years immediately preceding the filing of the writ.
- (f) That the parties to the marriage agree that the marriage has irretrievably broken down.

[*Full particulars of the individual facts relied on but not the evidence by which they are to be proved, and any other relevant information, to be stated in the Statement of Particulars.*]

OR

That the Defendant be presumed dead and the divorce be granted*

- (a) Circumstances in which Parties Ceased to Cohabit
[*To state the circumstances in which the parties ceased to cohabit, and the last place at which they cohabited.*]
- (b) Last Contact with Defendant
 - (i) Date when the Defendant was last heard of:
 - (ii) Place where the Defendant was last seen:
- (c) Steps Taken to Trace the Defendant
[*To state particulars of steps taken to trace the Defendant and any other relevant information in the Statement of Particulars.*]
In the circumstances, from [*to state date*] until now, the Defendant has been continually absent from the marriage life with the Plaintiff and the Plaintiff has no reason to believe that the Defendant has been living within this time.

7. Relief Claimed

To state the particulars of relief claimed by the Plaintiff, including any claim for ancillary relief. [*Choose one or more of the following*]

- (a) That the marriage be declared null and void*.
 - OR
 - That the marriage be dissolved*.
 - OR
 - That a judgment of judicial separation be granted*.
 - OR
 - That a judgment of presumption of death and divorce be granted*.
- (b) Custody* of and/or care and control* of the child/children* of the marriage
That the Plaintiff/Defendant* be granted sole/joint* custody of the child/children* of the marriage with care and control to the Defendant/Plaintiff*.
- (c) Access to the child/the children* of the family
That the Plaintiff/Defendant* be granted reasonable/liberal* access to the child/children* of the marriage or access as follows: [*to state terms of access*]
- (d) Division of the matrimonial home

That the matrimonial home at *[to state the address of the matrimonial home]* be sold in the open market and the sale proceeds/loss*, after deducting the outstanding loan and costs and expenses of sale are to be divided *[to state the manner of division]*. Parties are to refund moneys into their respective CPF accounts from their own share of the sale proceeds.

OR

That Plaintiff's/Defendant's* right, title and interest in the matrimonial flat at *[to state the address of the matrimonial home]* shall be transferred (other than by way of a sale) to the Defendant/Plaintiff* upon the Plaintiff/Defendant* *[to state the consideration for the transfer]*. The Plaintiff/Defendant* is to bear the cost and expenses of the transfer.

OR

That Plaintiff's/Defendant's* right, title and interest in the matrimonial flat at *[to state the address of the matrimonial home]* shall be sold to the Defendant/Plaintiff* upon the Plaintiff/Defendant* *[to state the consideration for the sale]*. The Plaintiff/Defendant* is to bear the cost and expenses of the sale.

OR

That the matrimonial home at *[to state the address of the matrimonial home]* be surrendered to the Housing Development Board and any proceeds/loss* to be divided *[to state the manner of division]* between the parties.

OR

Others *[please specify]*

- (e) Division of the matrimonial assets (other than the matrimonial home)

[To specify the asset and the nature of division]

- (f) Maintenance for the wife / incapacitated husband*

That the Plaintiff/Defendant* shall pay \$*[to state the amount]* each month as maintenance for the Plaintiff/Defendant* with effect from *[date]* and thereafter on the *[day of the month]* of each month. Payment into the Plaintiff's/Defendant's *[to state name of bank]* bank account number *[to state the bank account number]*.

OR

That there be no maintenance for Plaintiff/Defendant*.

OR

Others *[please specify]*

- (g) Maintenance for the child/children* of the marriage

That the Plaintiff/Defendant* shall pay \$*[to state the amount]* each month as maintenance for the child/children* of the marriage with effect from *[date]* and thereafter on the *[day of the month]* of each month. Payment into the Plaintiff's/Defendant's/Child's *[to state the name of the child]* *[to state name of bank]* bank account number *[to state the bank account number]*.

- (h) Costs

That there is no order as to costs.

OR

That the Defendant pay costs of the divorce proceedings fixed at *[to state amount of costs]*.

(i) Others [*please specify*]:

8. Housing and Development Board (HDB) flat

One of the matrimonial assets in respect of which relief is being sought is an HDB flat.

- (a) The Agreed/Proposed* Matrimonial Property Plan (For Housing and Development Board flats only) is filed together with this Writ.
- (b) The Plaintiff/Plaintiff's Solicitor* has made enquiries with HDB/HDB and the Central Provident Fund Board (CPFBoard)* on [*to set out respective dates*] and has not received any reply from HDB/CPFBoard/HDB and CPFBoard*. [*The Statement of Particulars shall annex copies of the said letters.*]

*Delete where inapplicable.

Form 21

R. 56

(DEFENCE AND/OR COUNTERCLAIM FORM)

IN THE FAMILY JUSTICE COURTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

Divorce Writ No.

Between

[*Plaintiff's Name*] (ID No.) *Plaintiff*

And

[*Defendant's Name*] (ID No.) *Defendant*

DEFENCE* AND COUNTERCLAIM*

1. Particulars of Defendant

Age:

Citizenship:

Religion:

Educational Level:

Current occupation:

Current address:

2. Defence

- (a) To deny or admit the paragraphs of the Statement of Claim (and Statement of Particulars). To state full particulars of the facts relied on but not the evidence by which they are to be proved.
- (b) To state whether any, and if so what, agreement or arrangement has been made or is proposed to be made between the parties for the support of the wife or any child of the marriage.
- (c) If any statements set out in the Statement of Claim concerning the living children of the marriage are disputed, full particulars of the facts relied on are to be stated in the Defence.
- (d) If any information on the following matters has not been provided in the Statement of Claim, or if any statement set out in relation to the following matters in the Statement of Claim is disputed, the Defence is to furnish information on the same, with the details as set out in sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) below:

Whether there are or have been other proceedings in Singapore or elsewhere with reference to the marriage, or to any children of the marriage, or between the Plaintiff and the Defendant with reference to maintenance or to any property of either or both of them.

- (i) Nature of the proceedings, i.e. whether:
 - (A) Matrimonial proceedings; and/or
 - (B) Family violence (between the Plaintiff, Defendant and any children of the marriage); and/or
 - (C) Custody, care and control and/or access to the children of the marriage; and/or

- (D) Proceedings in youth court in respect of the children of the marriage; and/or
 - (E) Maintenance (for wife and any children of the marriage); and/or
 - (F) Matrimonial Property; and/or
 - (G) Other proceedings which may be relevant to the present proceedings (such as bankruptcy proceedings).
- (ii) Details of the proceedings
- [to state in relation to each of the proceedings set out in paragraph (i) above]*
- (A) The suit number:
 - (B) The date of any decree or order or judgment:
 - (C) Decree or order or judgment made:
 - (D) If no decree or order or judgment has been made, the status of the proceedings:
- (iii) There are bankruptcy proceedings against the Defendant pending as at *[to state date, which shall not be later than 7 days immediately preceding the filing of the Defence and/or Counterclaim]*:
- (A) The suit number:
 - (B) Whether creditor's bankruptcy application or debtor's bankruptcy application:
 - (C) Name of Creditor:
 - (D) Amount of debt claimed:
 - (E) Status of proceedings;

3. Counterclaim*

The Defendant is required to attend a parenting programme by the Ministry of Social and Family Development before filing a Counterclaim.

*The Defendant has participated in a parenting programme and has been issued with a Certificate of Completion by the Ministry of Social and Family Development, before filing the Counterclaim.

A copy of the Certificate of Completion is annexed herein (Annex *[to state number]*)

OR

*The Defendant has not participated in a parenting programme but:

- (a) has been issued with a Note of Exclusion by the Ministry of Social and Family Development; or
- (b) has obtained an Order of Court allowing the Defendant to file the Counterclaim pursuant to section 94A(4) of the Women's Charter.

A copy of the Note of Exclusion/Order of Court* is annexed herein (Annex *[to state number]*).

- (1) The Defendant repeats paragraph(s) *[to state the numbers of the relevant paragraphs]* of the Statement of Claim.
- (2) The Defendant is/is not* a bankrupt.
- (3) Ground on which Relief is Sought.

The marriage is void

- (a) *(For marriages that took place after 1st June 1981) The marriage is not valid under section 105 of the Women's Charter: (*Choose one or more of the following*)
 - (i) by virtue of section 3(4)/5/9/10/11/12/22* of the Women's Charter
 - (ii) (*for marriages celebrated outside Singapore*) for the lack of capacity
 - (iii) (*for marriages celebrated outside Singapore*) under the law of the place in which the marriage was celebrated.
- (b) *(For marriages that took place on or before 1st June 1981) The marriage is not valid for the reasons stated in the Counterclaim.
- (c) *(For marriages that took place on or after 1 July 2016) The marriage is not valid by virtue of s11A of the Women's Charter.

OR

The marriage is voidable

- (a) *(For marriages that took place after 1st June 1981) The marriage is voidable under section 106 of the Women's Charter on the following ground(s): (*Choose one or more of the following*)
 - (i) That the marriage has not been consummated owing to the incapacity of either party [*please specify*] to consummate it.
 - (ii) That the marriage has not been consummated owing to the wilful refusal of the Plaintiff to consummate it.
 - (iii) That the Plaintiff/Defendant* did not validly consent to the marriage, in consequence of duress* and/or mistake* and/or unsoundness of mind/lack of capacity* and/or the facts stated in the Statement of Particulars [*please specify in the Statement of Particulars*]*.
 - (iv) That at the time of the marriage the Plaintiff/Defendant* though capable of giving a valid consent, was suffering (whether continuously or intermittently) from mental disorder within the meaning of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) Act (Cap. 178A) of such a kind or to such an extent as to be unfit for marriage.
 - (v) That at the time of the marriage the Plaintiff was suffering from venereal disease in a communicable form, and the Defendant was at the time of the marriage ignorant of the facts alleged.
 - (vi) That at the time of the marriage the Plaintiff was pregnant by some person other than the Defendant and the Defendant was at the time of the marriage ignorant of the facts alleged.
- (b) *(For marriages that took place on or before 1st June 1981) The marriage is voidable for the reasons stated in the Counterclaim.

[*Full particulars of the individual facts relied on but not the evidence by which they are to be proved.*]

OR

The marriage has broken down irretrievably

Fact(s) relied on for the irretrievable breakdown of the marriage (for the purposes of section 95(3)A of the Women's Charter):

(*Choose one of the following*)

- (a) That the Plaintiff has committed adultery and the Defendant finds it intolerable to live with the Plaintiff.
- (b) That the Plaintiff has behaved in such a way that the Defendant cannot reasonably be expected to live with the Plaintiff.
- (c) That the Plaintiff has deserted the Defendant for a continuous period of at least 2 years immediately preceding the filing of the writ.
- (d) That the parties to the marriage have lived apart for a continuous period of at least 3 years immediately preceding the filing of the writ and the Plaintiff consents to a judgment being granted. The Plaintiff's consent is exhibited at Annex [to state number]* (if available).
- (e) That the parties to the marriage have lived apart for a continuous period of at least 4 years immediately preceding the filing of the writ.
- (f) That the parties to the marriage agree that the marriage has irretrievably broken down.

[Full particulars of the individual facts relied on to be stated but not the evidence by which they are to be proved.]

4. Relief Claimed

[To state the particulars of relief claimed by the Defendant.]

- (a) That the claim be dismissed
- (b) Costs
- (c) Others [please specify]

For cases where a Counterclaim has been filed*:

(Choose one or more of the following, providing particulars of the relief claimed where possible.)

- (a) That the claim be dismissed.
- (b) On the Counterclaim: That the marriage be declared null and void*.
OR
That the marriage be dissolved*.
OR
That a judgment of judicial separation be granted*.
- (c) Custody* of and/or care and control* of the child/children* of the marriage
- (d) Access to the child/children* of the marriage
- (e) Division of the matrimonial home
- (f) Division of the matrimonial assets (other than the matrimonial home)
- (g) Maintenance for the wife/incapacitated husband*
- (h) Maintenance for the child/children* of the marriage
- (i) Costs
- (j) Others [please specify]

5. Persons to be served with this Defence/Defence and Counterclaim*

- (a) Plaintiff

Name:

Address: Plaintiff is a person under a disability*.

[To state particulars of Plaintiff's disability]

(b) Co-Defendant/Defendant in Counterclaim/Other Party *(please specify)**

Name:

Address:

Co-Defendant/Defendant in Counterclaim/Other Party *(please specify)** is a person under a disability*.

[To state particulars of Co-Defendant's/Defendant in Counterclaim's/Other Party's disability]

6. The Defendant is aware of*, or has been informed by the solicitor acting for him about*, the options of family mediation or counselling, before filing the defence.

Signature:

Name of Defendant/Defendant's Solicitor*:

Date:

*Delete where inapplicable.

Form 29

R. 83

(REQUEST FOR SETTING DOWN FORM)

IN THE FAMILY JUSTICE COURTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

Divorce Writ No.

Between

[*Plaintiff's Name*] (ID No.) *Plaintiff*

And

[*Defendant's Name*] (ID No.) *Defendant*

REQUEST FOR SETTING DOWN ACTION FOR TRIAL

The Plaintiff confirms and requests the following:

1. Both the Plaintiff and the Defendant have agreed on the divorce and the ancillary matters prior to the filing of this action.
2. The Plaintiff be at liberty to set down this action for trial on an uncontested basis in chambers.
3. ~~Grounds of Facts relied on for~~ Divorce
 - (i) adultery by Plaintiff and/or Defendant*
 - (ii) unreasonable behaviour by Plaintiff and/or Defendant*
 - (iii) 2 years' desertion by Plaintiff/Defendant*
 - (iv) 3 years' separation with consent*
 - (v) 4 years' separation*
 - (vi) mutual agreement*
4. Ancillary Matters
All of the ancillary matters have been agreed and the signed Draft Consent Order is exhibited in the Statement of Particulars.
5. I confirm that parties will not be making any further applications (e.g. abridgment of time, cost, withdrawal or amendment of pleadings etc.).
6. Parties understand that the Court may not make the required orders as requested if any of the papers are not in order, in which case a further hearing (in court or in chambers with counsel present) will be scheduled.

Signature:

Name of Party/Party's Solicitor*:

Party Type (i.e. Plaintiff or Defendant):

Date:

*Delete where inapplicable.

Form 203

Para 18

REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION OF PARTIES' ATTENDANCE AT THE UNCONTESTED DIVORCE HEARING

Date

To: Registrar
Family Justice Courts, Singapore

DIVORCE SUIT NO. _____ OF _____
TITLE AS IN ACTION

REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION OF PARTIES' ATTENDANCE AT THE UNCONTESTED DIVORCE HEARING

- 1 a) We act for the Plaintiff in the above proceedings. M/s _____ acts for the Defendant or Defendant acts in person*. We write to confirm that the above divorce will proceed on an uncontested basis as (*please tick all the applicable paragraphs*)
- (i) the Defendant has filed an Memorandum of Appearance indicating the Defendant is not contesting the divorce; or
 - (ii) an Order for Dispensation of Service on the Defendant was granted on _____; or
 - (iii) Acknowledgment of Service/Affidavit of Service* has been filed on _____ and Defendant did not enter appearance; or
 - (iv) Defendant had failed to file the Defence within the timelines stated in the Family Justice Rules; or
 - (v) both parties have agreed that the divorce will proceed on an uncontested basis on the Claim/and Counterclaim*. The Defence & Counterclaim/Reply and Defence to Counterclaim/Reply to Defence to Counterclaim* has/have been withdrawn on (*insert date*).

(*to use the following paragraph if proceeding on the Counterclaim only*)

- b) We act for the Defendant in the above proceedings. M/s _____ acts for the Plaintiff or Plaintiff acts in person*. We write to confirm that the above divorce shall proceed on an uncontested basis as:-
- (i) both parties have agreed that the divorce will proceed on an uncontested basis on the Counterclaim. The Statement of Particulars/Defence/Reply and Defence to Counterclaim/Reply to Defence to Counterclaim* has/have been withdrawn on (*insert date*).; or
 - (ii) the Plaintiff has failed to file the Defence to Counterclaim within the timelines stated in the Family Justice Rules

2 We confirm as follows:

- (a) ~~Grounds of Facts relied on for~~ Divorce:
- (i) adultery by Plaintiff and/or Defendant*

- (ii) unreasonable behaviour by Plaintiff and/or Defendant*
- (iii) 2 years' desertion by Plaintiff/Defendant*
- (iv) 3 years' separation with consent
- (v) 4 years' separation-
- (vi) mutual agreement.

Ancillary Matters

- (b) (i) There are no ancillary matters to be adjourned to be heard in Chambers.
- (ii) All of the ancillary matters have been agreed and the Draft Consent Order has been filed on _____(date).
- (iii) Some of the ancillary matters have been agreed and the Draft Consent Order has been filed on _____(date) and Prayers (__) to (__) of the Statement of Claim/Counterclaim are to be adjourned to be heard in Chambers. We request for:-
 - o ___ weeks to file and exchange the Affidavit of Assets and Means and a Case Conference to be fixed; or
 - o A mediation session as both parties have agreed to attend.
- (iv) The ancillary matters have not been agreed and Prayers (__) to (__) of the Statement of Claim/Counterclaim are to be adjourned to be heard in Chambers. We request for:-
 - o ___ weeks to file and exchange the Affidavit of Assets and Means and a Case Conference to be fixed; or
 - o A mediation session as both parties have agreed to attend.

3 We confirm that parties will not be making any further applications (e.g. abridgment of time, cost, withdrawal or amendment of pleadings etc.).

4 Parties understand that the Court may not make the required orders as requested if any of the papers are not in order, in which case a further hearing (in open court or in chambers with counsels present) will be scheduled.

Signature

Name of Solicitor for the Plaintiff/Defendant*

Name of Law Firm

cc Solicitor for the Defendant/Plaintiff or Defendant-in-person/Plaintiff-in-person*

*Delete where inapplicable

Form 271

R.55A
Para 14(6)(e), 14(9)

AGREEMENT THAT MARRIAGE HAS IRRETRIEVABLY BROKEN DOWN

Important Notes:

You and your spouse will have to sign this Form if the both of you are applying for divorce or judicial separation on the basis that the both of you agree that the marriage has irretrievably broken down.

The signed Form must be annexed to the Statement of Particulars or the Counterclaim.

Please provide all the necessary details, as the Court cannot accept the agreement if it considers, in all the circumstances of the case, that there remains a reasonable possibility of reconciliation.

To avoid doubt, parties are not required to state communications that are made without prejudice or are otherwise protected by privilege.

1. We are the Plaintiff and the Defendant.
2. We agree that the marriage has irretrievably broken down.
3. We conclude that our marriage has irretrievably broken down for the following reasons:

(Please note that you must set out in detail the reasons leading the both of you to conclude that your marriage has broken down irretrievably. A bare agreement without explanation is not enough. You must provide sufficient particulars that would allow the court to assess whether there is any basis for your conclusion that your marriage has broken down irretrievably.)

4. We have made the following efforts to reconcile:

(Please provide details of efforts made, such as the number or frequency of such attempts, the nature of such efforts, and whether and what external help (professional or otherwise) was sought.)

5. We conclude that further efforts will not lead to a reasonable possibility that we may reconcile for the following reasons:

(Please state whether there are other options for reconciliation (such as seeking external help) that remain unexplored and explain why, considering the efforts you have made to reconcile, you believe that further attempts are not likely to succeed.)

6. We have given consideration to the arrangements to be made in relation to our financial affairs:

(Please describe the consideration that the both of you have given to the issue relating to the division of assets and the outcome of such consideration, which may include any matters that have been agreed.)

(Please describe the consideration that the both of you have given to the issue of spousal maintenance and the outcome of such consideration, which may include any matters that have been agreed.)

7. We have given consideration to the arrangements to be made in relation to the child(ren) of the marriage (to be filled in only if there are children under 21 to the marriage):

(Please describe the consideration that the both of you have given to the issue of custody, care and control and access to the child(ren) and the outcome of such consideration, which may include any matters that have been agreed.)

(Please describe the consideration that the both of you have given to the issue of maintenance for the child(ren) and the outcome of such consideration, which may include any matters that have been agreed.)

I agree that the marriage has irretrievably broken down and acknowledge that I have considered the issues stated in this Form. I am also aware of my right to seek independent legal advice.

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Signature

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Name:

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