Form 18

|  |
| --- |
| R. 48, 54, 56,  |
| (MEMORANDUM OF APPEARANCE (DEFENDANT) 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* |
|  |
| MEMORANDUM OF APPEARANCE (DEFENDANT) |
| 1. I am the Defendant and I intend/do not intend\* to defend the action. |
|  I am/am not\* a bankrupt. |
|  I received the Writ of Summons (Writ) and Statement of Claim on [*to state date*] at [*to state address*]: |
| 2. \*The Statement of Claim alleges that there has been 3 years’ separation and that you the Defendant consent to a judgment being granted*.* I consent/do not consent\* to a judgment being granted. |
|  (*Note: Before you answer this question, you should understand that —* |
| *(a) if the Plaintiff satisfies the court that the Plaintiff and you have lived apart for 3 years immediately before the filing of the Writ and that you consent to a judgment being granted, the court will grant one unless it considers that the marriage has not broken down irretrievably; and* |
| *(b) a final judgment will end your marriage and may have consequences in your case depending on your particular circumstances. If you are unsure about the consequences, you should consult a lawyer.* |
|  *If after consenting you wish to withdraw your consent, you must immediately inform the court and give notice to the Plaintiff.)* |
| 3. \*The Plaintiff is also making various claims for relief in this Writ. I wish to be heard on all these claims/some of these claims\*. |
|  (*To choose one or more of the following, circle the relevant item(s)*) |
| (*a*) Custody\* of and/or care and control\* of the child/children\* of the marriage |
| (*b*) Access to the child/children\* of the marriage. I will be filing my Agreement to Plaintiff’s Proposed Parenting Plan/Defendant’s Proposed Parenting Plan\* |
| (*c*) Division of the matrimonial home. I will be filing my Agreement to Plaintiff’s Proposed Matrimonial Property Plan/Defendant’s Proposed Matrimonial Property Plan\* |
| (*d*) Division of the matrimonial assets (other than the matrimonial home) |
| (*e*) Maintenance for the wife / incapacitated husband\* |
| (*f*) Maintenance for the child/children\* of the marriage |
| (*g*) Costs |
| (*h*) Others [*to specify*]: |
|  (*Please note that you may be heard on these claims even if you do not defend the action and do not file a Defence or Defence and Counterclaim in court.*) |
| 4. \*I wish to make claims for relief in the following matters, which have not been dealt with in the Writ: |
|  (*To choose one or more of the following, circle the relevant item(s)*) |
| (*a*) Custody\* of and/or care and control\* of the child/children\* of the marriage |
| (*b*) Access to the child/children\* of the marriage |
| (*c*) Division of the matrimonial home |
| (*d*) Division of the matrimonial assets (other than the matrimonial home) |
| (*e*) Maintenance for the wife |
| (*f*) Maintenance for the child/children\* of the marriage |
| (*g*) Costs |
| (*h*) Others [*to specify*]: |
| 5. \*I am a wife Defendant /incapacitated husband Defendant\*. |
|  I wish to/do not wish to\* make a claim for maintenance for myself. |
| 6. The address to which communications to me should be sent is: |
|  (*Note: This must be an address in Singapore. If a solicitor is acting for you, give the name and address of your solicitor in Singapore. If you do not give an address in Singapore, you will have no right to be heard in these proceedings.*) |
| 7. My other contact particulars are: |
|  Telephone: |
|  Handphone Number: |
|  Fax: |
| Signed (Defendant/Defendant’s solicitor\*):Name:ID No.:Date: |
| \*Delete where inapplicable. |