

STATE OF INDIANA

IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ COURT

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

CAUSE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Petitioner,

v.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Respondent.

**APPEARANCE BY UNREPRESENTED PERSON IN CIVIL CASE**

1. My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am:

Initiating

and in this case I am not represented by a lawyer.

2. Contact information for receiving legal service of document and case information as required by Court Rules. (*NOTE: If you are the Initiating Party and this case, or a related case, involves a protection from abuse order, a workplace violence restraining order, or a no-contact order, you must provide an address for the purpose of legal service of documents. But, that address should not be one that exposes your location.*)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

*I will accept service at the above email address.*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

OR, if in a related case, you have used the Attorney General confidential address, you may check the box below:

Attorney General confidential address

3. This is a DN case type as defined in Administrative Rule 8(B)(3).

4. There are related cases: (*If yes, please indicate below*)

Yes

No

Caption and case number of related cases:

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Additional information as required by local rule:

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I sent a copy of this document on \_\_\_\_\_ by first-class U.S. mail, postage prepaid to \_\_\_\_\_ at the following address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature



10. \_\_\_\_\_ is pregnant.
11. This marriage has suffered an irretrievable breakdown and should be dissolved.

12.  I am filing this petition on my own behalf.

-OR-

I am the guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ and am filing this petition because \_\_\_\_\_ is incapacitated. My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and my address is: \_\_\_\_\_

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and I have attached a copy of the court order granting me authority to petition for dissolution of marriage described in IC 29-3-9-12.2.

15. Petitioner \_\_\_\_\_ a lifetime sex or violent offender.

16. Respondent \_\_\_\_\_ a lifetime sex or violent offender.

17. Change of name:

Wife would like the following former name restored

\_\_\_\_\_.

Wife does not request a name change.

18. Petitioner \_\_\_\_\_ a member of the military.

19. Respondent \_\_\_\_\_ a member of the military.

**I request that this Court issue its order dissolving the marriage of the parties, and for all other just and proper relief and until this matter is finalized:**

20.  I do not request any provisional orders.

-OR-

I request the following provisional orders:

Temporary possession of the marital residence;

Temporary division of debts;

Temporary division of property;

Temporary division of motor vehicles;

- Spousal maintenance;
- Restraining the parties from transferring, encumbering, concealing, or in any way disposing any of the property of the parties;
- Other:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**The undersigned affirms under penalties for perjury that the foregoing representations and statements are true.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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**SUMMONS**

*[For Dissolution of Marriage Cases Only]*

The State of Indiana to Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

You have been sued by your spouse for dissolution of marriage. The case is pending in the Court named above.

If this Summons is accompanied by an Order Setting Hearing, you must appear in Court on the date and time stated on the Order Setting Hearing. **IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR, EVIDENCE MAY BE HEARD AND A DECISION MAY BE MADE BY THE COURT.** If a Temporary Restraining Order is issued, it is effective immediately upon your receipt or knowledge of the Order.

If you wish to retain an attorney to represent you in the matter, it is advisable to do so before the date stated on the Notice of Provisional Hearing.

If you take no action in this case after receipt of this Summons, the Court can grant a Dissolution of Marriage and/or make determinations that may include but not limited to any of the following: paternity, child custody, child support, maintenance, parenting time, property (real or personal), and other distribution of assets and debts, attorney fees and costs.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk  
\_\_\_\_\_, County

The following manner of service of Summons is hereby designated:

- Registered/Certified mail to be sent by the Clerk
- Service by Sheriff on Individual at address shown above
- Service by Sheriff at place of employment, (name and address of spouse's employer)

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**SHERIFF'S RETURN OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS**

I hereby certify that I have served this summons on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

By delivering a copy of the Summons and a copy of the complaint to the Respondent identified on the first page of the Summons.

By leaving a copy of the Summons and a copy of the complaint/petition at:

\_\_\_\_\_

which is the dwelling place or usual place of abode of the Respondent and by mailing a copy of the Summons to the Respondent at the above address.

Other Service or Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sheriff's costs

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sheriff

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, I mailed a copy of this Summons and a copy of the Petition to the Respondent identified on the first page of the Summons by (registered or certified mail), \_\_\_\_\_ requesting a return receipt, at the address provided by the Petitioner.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk, \_\_\_\_\_ County

**RETURN ON SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY MAIL**

I hereby certify that the attached receipt was received by me showing that the Summons and a copy of the Petition mailed to the Respondent identified on the first page of this Summons was accepted by the Respondent on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

I hereby certify that the attached return receipt was received by me showing that the Summons and a copy of the petition was returned not accepted on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

I hereby certify that the attached return receipt was received by me showing that the Summons and a copy of the Petition mailed to the Respondent identified on the first page of this Summons was accepted by \_\_\_\_\_ on behalf of the Respondent on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk, \_\_\_\_\_ County



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**ORDER SETTING PROVISIONAL HEARING**

A Verified Petition for Dissolution of Marriage and Request for Provisional Orders has been filed in this Court. The Court now sets this matter for a Provisional Hearing. The parties must be prepared to present evidence in support of their petition. Failure to appear may result in matters being decided in your absence.

**IT IS SO ORDERED** that this matter shall be heard on:

\_\_\_\_\_.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judicial Officer

The Clerk shall serve this pleading upon \_\_\_\_\_  
by certified mail at the following address (this requires an additional fee payable to the Clerk):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The Clerk shall have this pleading served upon \_\_\_\_\_  
by sheriff at the following address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Distribution:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**PROVISIONAL ORDER**

Petitioner **appears/does not** appear and Respondent **appears/does not** appear for provisional hearing on \_\_\_\_\_. The Court having been duly advised in this matter now finds the following:

- Petitioner shall have temporary possession of the marital residence.
- Respondent

- Petitioner shall maintain medical, dental and optical insurance as available through employment, or Health Insurance Marketplace, or by government provided insurance for the following persons:
- Respondent

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- Petitioner shall pay temporary spousal maintenance to the other party as follows:
- Respondent

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

There shall be a temporary division of debts as follows:

- Petitioner shall be responsible for the following debts:
- Respondent

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- Petitioner shall be responsible for the following debts:
- Respondent \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

There shall be a temporary division of property, as follows:

- Petitioner shall have sole possession of the following items of property:
- Respondent \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

- Petitioner shall have sole possession of the following items of property:
- Respondent \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

There shall be a temporary division of motor vehicles, as follows:

- Petitioner shall have temporary possession of the following vehicles:
- Respondent \_\_\_\_\_
- (Vehicle #1, Make, Model, and Year)*
- \_\_\_\_\_
- (Vehicle #2, Make, Model, and Year)*

- Petitioner shall have temporary possession of the following vehicles:
- Respondent \_\_\_\_\_
- (Vehicle #1, Make, Model, and Year)*
- \_\_\_\_\_
- (Vehicle #2, Make, Model, and Year)*

There shall be a temporary restraining order in effect during these proceedings:

- Restraining the parties from transferring, encumbering, or concealing, or in any way disposing of any of the property of the parties;
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL WHICH IS SO ORDERED** \_\_\_\_\_

Distribution:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judicial Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**MOTION FOR FINAL HEARING**

The Petitioner now states that sixty (60) days have passed since the last filing of the Verified Petition for Dissolution of Marriage and requests that this matter be set for Final Hearing on the next available hearing date.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I sent a copy of this document on \_\_\_\_\_ by first-class U.S. mail, postage prepaid to \_\_\_\_\_ at the following address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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**ORDER SETTING FINAL HEARING**

The Petitioner has filed a Motion for Final Hearing which the Court has considered and now grants.

**IT IS SO ORDERED** that the final hearing for this matter shall be heard on:

\_\_\_\_\_.

[The court allows \_\_\_\_\_ for the hearing.]

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judicial Officer

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**DECREE OF DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE**

The Court having reviewed the Verified Petition for Dissolution of Marriage and having held a final hearing in this matter, now finds the following:

1. Petitioner and Respondent were married on \_\_\_\_\_, and separated on \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ has been a continuous resident of \_\_\_\_\_ County for the last three months.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ has been a continuous resident of the State of Indiana for the last six months prior to the filing of the Verified Petition for Dissolution of Marriage
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is pregnant.
5. Petitioner \_\_\_\_\_ a member of the military.
6. Respondent \_\_\_\_\_ a member of the military.
7. There are no children of the marriage.
8. **Joint debt.**

The division of jointly held debts shall be as follows:

- The parties have no outstanding debts for which they are responsible

Petitioner will be solely responsible for the following debts and shall hold Respondent harmless from liability, expense, attorney's fees, and loss which may be incurred by Respondent arising out of Petitioner's failure to pay such debts.

<b>Name of Creditor</b>	<b>Amount of Debt</b>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Respondent will be solely responsible for the following debts and shall hold Petitioner harmless from liability, expense, attorney's fees, and loss which may be incurred by Petitioner arising out of Respondent's failure to pay such debts.

<b>Name of Creditor</b>	<b>Amount of Debt</b>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**9. Individual debt.**

The individual debt division shall be as follows:

Debts held in Petitioner's name only:

Petitioner shall be solely responsible for all debts held in **his/her** individual name, and all debts incurred by **him/her** in **his/her** name since the date of final separation. Petitioner agrees to hold Respondent harmless from liability, expense, attorney's fees, and loss which may be incurred by Respondent, arising out of Petitioner's failure to pay such debts.

Other:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



Debts held in Respondent's name only:

Respondent shall be solely responsible for all debts held in **his/her** individual name, and all debts incurred by **him/her** in **his/her** name since the date of final separation. Respondent agrees to hold Petitioner harmless from liability, expense, attorney's fees, and loss which may be incurred by Petitioner, arising out of Respondent's failure to pay such debts.

Other:

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**10. Vehicles**

The vehicle division shall be as follows:

There are no vehicles to divide.

Petitioner shall have possession of the following vehicle(s), and Respondent shall execute all documents necessary to transfer title of said vehicles within a reasonable time following the date of this Order:

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*(Vehicle #1, Make, Model and Year)*

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*(Vehicle #2, Make, Model and Year)*

Respondent shall have possession of the following vehicle(s), and Petitioner shall execute all documents necessary to transfer title of said vehicles within a reasonable time following the date of this Order:

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*(Vehicle #1, Make, Model and Year)*

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*(Vehicle #2, Make, Model and Year)*

All outstanding debts related to the above listed vehicles has been allocated above.

**11. Personal property.**

The parties' personal property division shall be as follows:

The parties have divided all items of personal property.

Petitioner shall have sole possession of the following items of personal property:

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Respondent shall have sole possession of the following items of personal property:

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**12. Marital Residence.**

The parties are owners of real estate located at

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and:

Petitioner shall retain/take possession and shall become the sole owner of

Respondent said real estate

Petitioner shall vacate the marital residence by \_\_\_\_\_

Respondent

Petitioner shall be responsible for all payments related to property, taxes and  
 Respondent homeowners insurance and shall receive the deductions for mortgage interest and taxes.

Petitioner shall transfer, by Quitclaim Deed, \_\_\_\_\_ interest in said real  
 Respondent estate to the party retaining possession of the marital residence by \_\_\_\_\_.

Petitioner will refinance the mortgage debt related to the marital  
 Respondent residence and make good faith effort to obtain a release of the other party on said debt on the earliest possible date. Upon release of the other party from mortgage debt, the other party shall transfer, by Quitclaim Deed, **his/her** interest in said real estate. The party assuming responsibility for mortgage agrees to hold the other party harmless from all liability, expense, attorney fees, loss or damages which may be a result of a failure to make payments on said mortgage debt.

Other \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The parties are jointly responsible on a lease for a residence located at \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ and

Petitioner shall retain possession of the leased premises, be responsible for  
 Respondent the remaining rental payment and fees due under said lease, and

agrees to hold the other party harmless for all liability, expense, attorney fees, loss or damage which may be a result of the failure to make required payments under said lease.

- Petitioner shall vacate the leased residence by \_\_\_\_\_.
- Respondent
- Other \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

13. **Change of names.**

Petitioner would like the following former name restored and is not a lifetime sex or violent offender or Petitioner has complied with I.C. 31-15-2-19; Petitioner shall hereinafter be known as:

\_\_\_\_\_

Respondent would like the following former name restored and is not a lifetime sex or violent offender or Respondent has complied with I.C. 31-15-2-19; Respondent shall hereinafter be known as:

\_\_\_\_\_

Neither Petitioner nor Respondent requests a name change.

14. The marriage has suffered an irretrievable breakdown and should be dissolved.

15. **Findings of the Court**

The Court, having held a hearing during which both parties appeared and presented evidence, now finds that the property distribution provisions of this order:

constitute a presumptive equal division of marital property and is therefore just reasonable.

do not constitute the presumptive equal division of marital property, however are, for the reasons set forth below, just and reasonable:

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**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Court that the parties' marriage is hereby dissolved.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Judicial Officer

Distribution:

Petitioner's Name and Mailing Address:      Respondent's Name and Mailing Address:

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_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____