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STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:)
) IN CHANCERY
JOHN SMITH,)
Plaintiff,) Case No. 2012 D
)
and)
)
SUSAN SMITH,)
Defendant.)

VERIFIFIED PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

NOW COMES the Plaintiff, JOHN SMITH, by and through his attorney, ATTORNEY XYZ, and for his Verified Petition for Dissolution of Marriage, states as follows:

1. That the Plaintiff, JOHN SMITH, is fifty-five (55) years of age, resides at 1234 Somewhere Drive, Rockford, Illinois, and is employed by ABC, LLC.

2. That the Defendant, SUSAN SMITH, is fifty-four (54) years of age, resides at 1234 Somewhere Drive, Rockford, Illinois, and is unemployed but able bodied and employable.

3. That both Plaintiff and Defendant have resided in the State of Illinois for more than ninety (90) continuous days before the date of this Petition and the Court has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter herein.

4. That the parties were lawfully married on June 1, 1988 at Rockford, Illinois, and the marriage is registered in Winnebago County, Illinois.

5. That during the marriage no children were born to or adopted by the parties, and Defendant is not now pregnant.

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6. That Plaintiff, on information and belief, has no knowledge of any other petitions pending in any other jurisdiction regarding the dissolution of the parties' marriage.

7. That the grounds for dissolution of marriage exist within the meaning and purview of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, in that the parties hereto will have been living separate and apart for a continuous period in excess of six months at the time the Judgment of Dissolution of Marriage is entered; that the objects and purposes of said marriage are no longer in existence and there are irreconcilable differences and difficulties which have caused the irretrievable breakdown of said marriage; and continuation of said marriage and efforts at reconciliation would be impracticable and not be in the best interest of the family.

8. In the alternative, Defendant has been guilty of extreme and repeated mental cruelty as defined by Illinois case law.

9. That the Plaintiff brought into the marriage certain real estate located at 1234 Somewhere Drive, Rockford, Illinois which he continues to hold as his own separate, sole and non-marital property.

10. That the Plaintiff brought into the marriage certain personal property which he continues to hold as his own separate, sole and non-marital property.

11. That the Defendant brought into the marriage certain debts which she continues to owe on as her separate, sole and non-marital debt.

12. That the parties have acquired various items of personalty, intangible assets, and debt during the marriage, all of which should be equitably divided by the Court.

13. That Defendant is employable and well able to support herself, and to pay her own attorney fees.

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WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays as follows:

A. That the Court grant the parties a Judgment for Dissolution of Marriage.

B. That the Court grant Plaintiff his non-marital assets including but not limited to the residence located at 1234 Somewhere Drive, Rockford, Illinois.

C. That the Court assign to Defendant her non-marital debt.

D. That the Court make a fair and equitable division of the personalty, intangible assets and debts of the parties.

E. That the Court order that Defendant be barred from past, present, or future maintenance from Plaintiff.

F. That the Court order the Defendant be barred from an award of attorney's fees and costs.

G. That the Court grant Plaintiff such other and further relief as equity may require and as the Court may deem just.

JOHN SMITH, Plaintiff

VERIFICATION

STATE OF ILLINOIS)	
)	SS
COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO)	

Plaintiff, JOHN SMITH, being first duly sworn, states under oath that he has personal knowledge of the facts and statements alleged in the foregoing Petition and that they are true and correct, except for those stated to be on information and belief, and those he believes to be true and correct.

JOHN SMITH, Plaintiff

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of October, 2012.

NOTARY PUBLIC

CERTIFICATE OF ATTORNEY

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 137, I have read the foregoing and that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, it is well grounded in fact and is warranted by existing law or a good faith argument for the extension, modification or reversal of existing law, and that it is not interposed for any improper purpose, such as to harass or to cause unnecessary delay or needless increase in the cost of litigation

Attorney XYZ

PREPARED BY: Attorney XYZ

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