

(Print your answers in blue ink)

Cause Number: _____

IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF

Petitioner: _____
(Print first, middle, and last name of the spouse filing for divorce)

In the *(check one)*:

(Court Number)

District Court

County Court at Law of:

And

Respondent: _____
(Print first, middle, and last name of other spouse)

(County)

County, Texas

Final Decree of Divorce

A hearing took place on _____. There was no jury. Neither the husband nor wife asked for a jury.
Date

1. Appearances

Petitioner

The Petitioner's name is: _____
First Middle Last

(Check one box)

- The Petitioner **was present**, representing him/herself, and has agreed to the terms of this Final Decree of Divorce (called "Decree" throughout this document).
- The Petitioner **was not present** but has signed below, agreeing to the terms of this Decree.

Respondent

The Respondent's name is: _____
First Middle Last

(Check one box)

- The Respondent **was present** and agrees to the terms in this Decree.
- The Respondent **was not present** but has signed below, agreeing to the terms in this Decree.
- The Respondent **was not present** and has defaulted. The Petitioner has filed a Certificate of Last Known Address and a Military Status Affidavit. The Petitioner has also arranged for a court reporter to record the hearing.

The Court fills out this box.

2. Record

- A court reporter did not record today's hearing because the husband, wife, and judge agreed not to make a record.
- A court reporter recorded today's hearing.

3. Jurisdiction

The Court heard evidence and finds that it has jurisdiction over this case and the parties, that the residency and notice requirements have been met, and that the *Original Petition for Divorce* meets all legal requirements.

The Court finds that the *Original Petition for Divorce* was filed more than 60 days ago.

4. Children

Husband and Wife do not have **any** biological or adopted children, together, under the age of 18.

Husband and Wife do not have **any** biological or adopted children together who are 18 years old or older and are still in high school.

Husband and Wife do not have any **disabled children** of any age.

The wife has not had a child by another man since the date of marriage.

The wife is not pregnant.

5. Divorce

IT IS ORDERED that the Petitioner and the Respondent are divorced.

6. Property and Debts

About community property: Texas is a community property state. This means that any new property or debt that either party obtains from the minute they are married until the minute the judge grants the divorce is probably community property, even if the property or debt is only in one spouse's name. There are only a few exceptions to the law of community property such as gifts, inheritance, or a recovery for personal injuries that occurred during the marriage that is not for lost wages or medical expenses. All community property and debt should be included in the Final Decree of Divorce.

About separate property: If either party receives a gift, an inheritance, or a recovery for personal injuries that occurred during the marriage that is not for lost wages or medical expenses, it is separate property. It is a good idea to list separate property obtained during the marriage as that spouse's separate property in the Final Decree of Divorce.

More information about community and separate property can be found by consulting a lawyer, as well as in the Texas Family Code, Chapters 3, 4, and 5.

The Court makes the following orders regarding the parties' community and separate property:

Husband's Property

Husband's Separate Property

(Fill in all lines. If you have no property to declare in any particular category, write "none.")

The Court confirms that Husband owns the following property as his separate personal property:

1. Cars, trucks, motorcycles or other vehicles

He owned these vehicles *before* marriage:

Year	Make	Model	Vehicle Identification No. [VIN]
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

He received these vehicles as a gift or inheritance *during* the marriage:

Year	Make	Model	Vehicle Identification No. [VIN]
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

2. Other Money or Personal Property *(not real property, such as a house or piece of land)*

Husband owned the following money or personal property *before* marriage:

Husband inherited or received as a gift the following money or personal property *during* the marriage:

Husband received the following money recovery for personal injuries that occurred during the marriage that is not for lost wages or medical expenses:

Community Property

The Court ORDERS that Husband gets the following property as his sole and separate property, and Wife conveys (*gives*) to Husband her interest in such property, and Wife is divested of (*loses*) all right, title, interest and claim in and to that property.

Wife IS ORDERED to sign any documents needed to transfer any personal property listed below to Husband. Husband is responsible for preparing the documents.

1. All PERSONAL property in Husband’s care, custody or control, or in Husband’s name, that this Order does not give to Wife.
2. All of Husband’s cash and money in any bank or other financial institution listed in Husband’s name alone.
3. Any insurance policy that covers Husband’s life.
4. Husband’s cars, trucks, motorcycles or other vehicles listed below:

Year	Make	Model	Vehicle Identification No. [VIN]
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

5. Husband will keep the following personal property still held jointly: *(For example, a bank account, but not real property such as a house or land.)*

Husband's Debts *(If you do not want Husband to pay these debts, do NOT use this form.)*

Husband shall pay and shall indemnify and hold the wife and her property harmless for any failure to discharge the debts listed below:

1. All taxes, bills, liens, and other charges, present and future, that are in Husband's name alone or that this Order gives to Husband alone, unless this Order requires otherwise.
2. Any debt Husband incurred after separation. Date of separation: _____ .
Month Day Year
3. The balance due on any loan for any vehicles that this Order gives to Husband alone.
4. The other debts listed below which are not in Husband's name alone (such as credit cards, student loans, medical bills, income taxes):

Husband's Retirement Funds *(For example, pension, profit-sharing, and stock option plans, 401ks, and IRAs)*

- Husband does not have any retirement funds.
- Husband has the following retirement funds:

Identify or Describe Retirement Fund	State Current Value of Fund

If Husband has retirement funds, the funds: