FLORIDA FAMILY LAW RULES OF PROCEDURE
FORM 12.985(g)
JOINT VERIFIED PETITION AND VERIFIED ANSWER FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (10/20)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR _____ COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No: _____
Division: _____

In Re: The Marriage of:

_____,
Petitioner,

and

_____,
Respondent.

JOINT VERIFIED PETITION AND VERIFIED ANSWER FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

Petitioner, _____, and Respondent, _____, jointly petition for the dissolution of their marriage and for grounds state:

1. This is a Collaborative Family Law action for dissolution of marriage and other relief incident thereto.

2. The parties have been residents of _____ County, Florida, for more than 6 months immediately before filing this Petition.

3. The parties were married to each other on *{Date}* _____ and have been separated since *{Date}* _____.

4. The marriage between the parties is irretrievably broken.

5. The Petitioner states that he/she is not a member of the military in the United States or any of its Allies. The Respondent states that he/she is not a member of the military in the United States or any of its Allies.

6. There has/have been _____ child/children born of the marriage, to wit: *{Name of Child/ren}* _____, born *{Date}* _____.

7. Pursuant to the requirements of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, Sections 61.522, Florida Statutes, the parties state:

A. During the last 5 years, the minor child(ren) have/has lived with the parties at _____ _____ _____.

B. Neither party has participated as a party, witness, or in any other capacity in any other litigation or custody proceeding concerning the custody of the above-named minor child(ren) in this state or elsewhere.

C. Neither party has information of any custody proceedings concerning the above-named minor child(ren) pending in a court of this state or any other jurisdiction at this time.

D. Neither party knows of another person not a party to this proceeding who has physical custody of the minor child(ren) or who claims to have custody or visitation rights with respect to the parties' minor child(ren).

E. The minor child(ren) identified herein are not subject to an existing child support order in this state or in any other state or territory.

F. The parties will continue to inform this Court of any custody, visitation, child support, or guardianship proceedings concerning the minor child(ren) in this or any other jurisdiction of which they may obtain information during the course of these proceedings.

8. The parties resolved this Dissolution of Marriage matter through the Collaborative Law Process. The parties entered into a Collaborative Marital Settlement Agreement on *{Date}* _____.

9. The parties have resolved all issues with regard to the dissolution of their marriage through their Collaborative Marital Settlement Agreement including parental responsibility and timesharing of their children, equitable distribution, child support, alimony, and attorneys' fees.

10. The Court should ratify and confirm the parties' Collaborative Marital Settlement Agreement.

11. The _____Petitioner _____Respondent wishes to be restored to her former name of _____. The _____Petitioner _____Respondent has never been convicted of a felony, has never been adjudicated bankrupt, is not seeking to avoid any creditors, and is not seeking the name change for any ulterior or illegal purpose.

WHEREFORE, the Petitioner, _____, and the Respondent, _____, respectfully pray this Court to enter a Final Judgment wherein the Court:

A. Takes jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties hereto;

B. Dissolves the parties' marriage to each other;

C. Ratifies and confirms the parties' Collaborative Marital Settlement Agreement;

D. Restores the Wife's maiden name so she will thereafter be known as_____; and

E. Retains jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter to enforce the terms of the parties' Collaborative Marital Settlement Agreement.

VERIFIED ANSWER TO JOINT VERIFIED PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

The parties each admit all of the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 11 above of the Joint Verified Petition for Dissolution of Marriage and request that this Court dissolve their marriage as requested therein.

Under penalties of perjury, which can include fines and/or imprisonment, I declare that I have read this document and that the facts stated in it are true.

Dated: _____

_____

Signature of Petitioner
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es):_____

_____

Signature of Petitioner's Attorney
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es):_____
Florida Bar Number: _____

Under penalties of perjury, which can include fines and/or imprisonment, I declare that I have read this document and that the facts stated in it are true.

Dated: _____

_____

Signature of Respondent
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es):_____

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Signature of Respondent's Attorney
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Fax Number: _____
E-mail Address(es):_____
Florida Bar Number: _____