2 3 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK 7 In re the marriage of: 8 Petitioner: No. DR12345 9 Jane J. Smith Petition for Divorce (Dissolution) (PTDSS) 10 And Respondent: 11 John James Smith 12 **Petition for Divorce (Dissolution)** 13 1. Information about the parties 14 Petitioner lives in Clark County, Washington 15 Respondent lives in Clark County, Washington 16 2. Information about the marriage: 17 We were married on July 11, 2015 in Seattle, Washington. We began living in separate households on March 14, 2020. 18 3. Request for divorce 19 This marriage is irretrievably broken. I ask the court to dissolve our marriage and any 20 domestic partnerships or civil unions. Our marital community ended on: 21 The date this Petition is filed. 22 4. Jurisdiction over the spouses The court has jurisdiction over the marriage because at least one of the spouses lives in 23 Washington state, or is stationed in this state as a member of the armed forces. 24 The court **has** personal jurisdiction over the Respondent because:

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The Respondent lives in Washington state.

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## **5.** Is one of the spouses pregnant?

No.

**Note:** The law considers the other spouse to be the parent of any child born during the marriage or within 300 days after it ends. If the other spouse is not the parent, either spouse may file a *Petition to Decide Parentage* (form FL Parentage 301) in court. In most cases, the deadline to file the *Petition to Decide Parentage* is before the child turns four. (See RCW 26.26A.115, 26.26A.435.)

If everyone agrees, both spouses and the child's biological father can sign an *Acknowledgment (and Denial) of Parentage*. Those forms must be notarized and filed with the Washington State Registrar of Vital Statistics to be valid.

# 6. Children of the marriage

My spouse and I have the following children together who are still dependent (only list children you and your spouse have together, not children from other relationships):

	Child's name	Age
1.	Jimmy Smith	4
2.	Janey Smith	6

#### a. Children's home/s

During the past 5 years have any of the children lived:

- on an Indian reservation,
- outside Washington state,
- in a foreign country, or
- with anyone who is not a party to this case?

No.

# b. Other people with a legal right to spend time with a child

Do you know of anyone besides you and your spouse who has (or claims to have) a legal right to spend time with any of the children?

No.

#### c. Other court cases involving a child

Do you know of any court cases involving any of the children? No.

# 7. Jurisdiction over the children (RCW 26.27.201 - .221, .231, .261, .271)

The court **can** approve a *Parenting Plan* for the children my spouse and I have together because (check all that apply; if a box applies to all of the children, you may write "the children" instead of listing names):

**Exclusive, continuing jurisdiction** – A Washington court has already made a custody order or parenting plan for the children, and the court still has authority to make other orders for the children.

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#### 8. Parenting Plan

I ask the court to order a *Parenting Plan* for the children my spouse and I have together. I will file and serve my proposed *Parenting Plan* (form FL All Family 140):

at the same time as this Petition.

## 9. Child Support

**Court Order** – I ask the court to order child support (including medical support) according to state law for the children my spouse and I have together. (You may ask for a court order of child support even if there is already an administrative order. The court order will replace the administrative order to the extent the court order is different.)

I ask the court to order my spouse to pay his proportionate share of

Day care expenses

Long-distance transportation expenses

Education expenses

Post-secondary (college or vocational school) support

Other child-related expenses (specify):

I ask the court to order that we have the right to claim the children as dependents for purposes of personal tax exemptions and associated tax credits on our tax forms as follows (describe):

**Important!** Although the personal tax exemptions are currently suspended through tax year 2025, other tax benefits may flow from claiming a child as dependent.

# 10. Children from other relationships

Neither spouse has children from other relationships who are still dependent.

#### 11. Written Agreements

Have the parties signed a prenuptial agreement, separation contract, or community property agreement?

No.

## **12.** Real Property (land or home)

I ask the court to divide the real property fairly (equitably) as the court decides.

# **13.** Personal Property (possessions, assets, or business interests of any kind)

We have already divided the property fairly. I ask the court to order that each spouse will keep any personal property that they now have or control.

#### **14. Debts** (mortgages, loans, credit cards, other money owed)

I ask the court to make the following orders about debts

Divide the debts fairly (equitably) as the court decides.

15.	Spousal Support (maintenance/alimony)
	Spousal support <b>is</b> needed. The Respondent has the ability to pay and should pay support:
	as decided by the court.
16.	Fees and Costs
	Order my spouse to pay my lawyer's fees, other professional fees, and costs for this case.
17.	Protection Order
	Do you want the court to issue an Order for Protection as part of the final orders in this case?
	<b>Yes.</b> (You must file a Petition for Order for Protection, form DV-1.015 for domestic violence, or form UHST-02.0200 for harassment. You may file your Petition for Order for Protection using the same case number assigned to this case.)
	Important! If you need protection now, ask the court clerk about getting a Temporary Order for Protection
18.	Restraining Order
	Do you want the court to issue a Restraining Order as part of the final orders in this case?
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