PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE PROCEEDING

IF UPON REVIEW OF THE FORMS YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND HOW TO PROCEED, PLEASE CONSULT AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU.

The form entitled "Information Which Must be in the Petition" is provided to advise you of the mandatory requirements of a proper dissolution (divorce) petition and answer. It does **not** need to be filed with the clerk.

DISSOLUTION (Divorce) WITHOUT CHILDREN:

THE FOLLOWING FORMS MUST BE FILED IN EVERY DISSOLUTION (DIVORCE) CASE IF:

- A. THERE WERE NO CHILDREN BORN OF THE PARTIES PRIOR TO THE MARRIAGE, OR
- B. THERE WERE NO CHILDREN BORN DURING THE MARRIAGE. OR
- C. THERE WERE NO CHILDREN ADOPTED DURING THE MARRIAGE. OR
- D. ALL OF THE CHILDREN ARE EMANCIPATED UNDER MISSOURI DOMESTIC LAW.

NOTE: The Court may require you to file additional documents and forms depending upon the facts of the case.

- 1. Case Filing Information Sheet
- 2. Certificate of Dissolution of Marriage (Divorce)
- 3. Petition for Dissolution of Marriage (Divorce)
- 4. Directions For Ser vice
- 5. Answer **OR** Waiver of Service and Entry of Appearance
- 6. Income and Expenses Statement
- 7. Statement of Property & Debt & Proposed Distribution;
- 8. Judgment-NO CHILDREN

NOTE: The Judgment must be typed and ready for the judge's signature, with all of the information completed where it applies. (Do Not Just Fill In The Blanks) Bring three copies of the prepared judgment to court. You will receive a notice of your court date after your case is on file.

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THE FOLLOWING FORMS MUST BE FILED IN EVERY DISSOLUTION (DIVORCE) CASE IF:

- A. THERE WERE CHILDREN BORN OF THE PARTIES PRIOR TO THE MARRIAGE, ${\bf OR}$
- B. THERE WERE CHILDREN BORN OF THE PARTIES DURING THE MARRIAGE, OR
- C. THERE WERE CHILDREN ADOPTED BY THE PARTIES DURING THE MARRIAGE WHO ARE NOT YET EMANCIPATED UNDER MISSOURI DOMESTIC LAW. **NOTE: The Court may require you to file additional documents and forms depending upon the facts of the case.**
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- 8. Form 14 Child Support Calculation
- 9. Parenting Plan
- 10. Judgment-CHILDREN

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