

ANNULMENT WITHOUT CHILDREN

For Respondent Only

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Response

Part 3: Respond to an Annulment Petition

(Forms and Instructions Packet)

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**RESPONSE to
PETITION for ANNULMENT OF MARRIAGE
WITHOUT CHILDREN
(A.R.S §§ 25-301-302)**

CHECKLIST

You may use this packet if . . .

- ✓ Your spouse filed a “***Petition for Annulment of Marriage without Children,***” and
- ✓ You want to file a “***Response***” to tell the Court that you disagree with something your spouse stated or requested in the “***Petition for Annulment without Children,***” or
- ✓ You would like to explain your argument in support of Petitioner’s reason, and
- ✓ You understand that there are limited grounds for annulment [A.R.S. §§ 25-301 and 25-302] and that the Judge will decide at your hearing or trial whether the grounds the Petitioner states in his/her petition or your argument for or against are legal grounds for annulment.

READ ME: Consulting a lawyer before filing documents with the court may help prevent unexpected results. A list of lawyers you may hire to advise you on handling your own case or to perform specific tasks, as well as a list of court-approved mediators can be found on the Self-Service Center website.

ANNULMENT WITHOUT CHILDREN

FOR RESPONDENT ONLY

PART 3 – RESPONSE TO A PETITION

This packet contains court forms and instructions for filing a response to an Annulment without children for respondent only. Items in **BOLD** are forms that you will need to file with the Court. Non-bold items are instructions or procedures. Do not copy or file those pages!

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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RESPONSE TO PETITION for ANNULMENT- WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN

Annulment in Arizona: An annulment in Arizona is a judgment of a marriage to be null and void. The annulment legal process requires certain statements to the Court showing reasons the purported marriage is invalid from the beginning, as if it had never taken place. You must have a legal reason to file for annulment. **NOTE: *The Arizona statutory definition of annulment (A.R.S. § 25-301) is not the same as annulment defined by certain religions.***

90 DAY Requirement to File for an Annulment in Arizona: You or your spouse must have made **Arizona your home**, or have been stationed in Arizona while a member of the Armed Forces, **for AT LEAST 90 (Ninety) DAYS before you file the Annulment Petition with the Court.**

Covenant marriage: A covenant marriage in Arizona is a legally distinct kind of marriage in which the marrying couple agrees to obtain pre-marital counseling and accept more strict grounds for divorce. The Arizona covenant marriage emphasizes the belief that marriage is more than just a contract between two individuals and requires specific statements of mutual commitment. If you have questions as to whether your marriage is a covenant marriage, look for the words “Covenant Marriage” on your marriage license, or see an attorney for help. **These forms may not be used if you have a covenant marriage.**

Domestic Violence: Domestic violence can be a part of any relationship. Domestic violence is also known as domestic abuse, spousal abuse, battering, and family violence. Domestic violence can be a pattern of abusive behaviors by one partner against another in an intimate relationship such as marriage, dating, family, or living together. Domestic violence has many forms, including **physical** aggression or assault (hitting, kicking, biting, shoving, restraining, slapping, throwing objects), or threats; **verbal** abuse, **sexual** abuse, **emotional** abuse, controlling or domineering behavior, intimidation, stalking, or passive abuse, such as neglect.

Court documents request your address and telephone number. If you are a victim of domestic violence, you may want to protect yourself from further violence by protecting your residential address. To do this, get a P.O. Box, or use another address. Also, you must file a “Petition for Order of Protection” and ask that your address NOT be disclosed on court papers.

With an Order of Protection, you do not need to put your address and phone number on your divorce papers. Instead of your address and phone number, just write “protected” in the space where the court asks you for this information. However, you must tell the Clerk of Court your address and phone number as soon as possible.

Annulment Papers Served: You should have received the following papers from your spouse:

- **SUMMONS:** Tells you:
 - 1) A court action has been filed against you,
 - 2) You are required to appear and answer the complaint in this action, and
 - 3) How many calendar days you have to file your response.
- **PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION:** Is a court order that tells you and your spouse what you can and cannot do with property and other issues while the annulment is pending. If you or your spouse violate this order you can be in serious trouble with the court. If your spouse violates this order, the Self Service Center has a list of lawyers who could help you help yourself act on the violation.
- **PETITION FOR ANNULMENT:** Informs you about what your spouse stated to the Court, about the reason(s) for the annulment.
- **NOTICE OF RIGHT TO CONVERT HEALTH INSURANCE:** Explains what to do about health care coverage for you. Read it carefully.
- **NOTICE REGARDING CREDITORS:** Explains about your responsibility for debts as a result of an Annulment.

Remember: Contact an attorney if you are unsure whether an annulment is right for your situation. You may follow all the correct procedures and get all the way to your court hearing, only to find the judge does not find legal grounds for an annulment. If that happens, you must choose another option. You could save time and MONEY to find legal advice before you begin the annulment paperwork.

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INSTRUCTIONS:

HOW TO COMPLETE FORMS FOR the RESPONSE to ANNULMENT PETITION

There are three forms in this Part 3 Response packet. The following instructions progress by the order of forms in the packet.

STEP 1: In **BLACK INK**, please complete the following:

1. FORM: Family Court Sensitive Data Sheet: You are the Respondent. Write in the information requested about you, the Respondent and the Petitioner (your spouse). With this form you may ask that your address NOT be disclosed on court papers.

- DO NOT include your mailing address on this form if you are requesting address protection.
- Case Type: Mark only one box that matches the annulment legal procedure:
 - Annulment
- Interpreter: Check “yes” or “no” to indicate whether you need a language interpreter. If you check, “yes”, write in what language(s) are needed.
- No additional copies are needed of this form. Do NOT serve this form on the other party.
- **IMPORTANT:** After completing this form, set aside the FORM: Family Court / Sensitive Data Coversheet.

2. FORM: RESPONSE to the PETITION FOR ANNULMENT of a NON-COVENANT MARRIAGE – WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN.

- At the top of the form, please fill in your name, street address (if not protected), city, state, zip code, telephone number (if not protected), Attorney bar number (if you are represented by an Attorney).
- Check the space if you are representing yourself.
- Print your name (as Respondent), then print the name of your spouse (the Petitioner).
- 90 Day Residency Requirement: If you or your spouse have/has lived in Arizona at least 90 days before you file this petition, check the box.
- Items 2 through 4: Fill in information about the Petitioner (your spouse), you (the Respondent), and your marriage. If you have a protected address, do not write it in. Also write in the month, day and year of your spouse’s birth, your birth, and the date you were married. Write in the number of years and months both you and your spouse have lived as married in Arizona. If you think you have a covenant marriage, please attach your marriage license at the end of this form.
- Item 5: Check the box that describes the condition of the wife at the time you file this response.

- Item 6: Defenses to Petition for Annulment. This section is highly important. The Petitioner has checked at least one reason for requesting the Court grant the annulment, or has checked “Other Reason” and written a reason on the lines provided. Under the column marked “Your Defense” and on the line next to the Petitioner’s reason, please write your reason for opposing the Petition for annulment, if you oppose it, and explain the reason. If you have other reasons that you are against the annulment, explain the reasons in the last line titles “Other Defense(s).” If you oppose it, you may explain that.
- Items 7 and 8: Check the box which best describes both you and your spouse’s property and debts surrounding the marriage. Then LIST the description of property and amount of debts for Parts A and B.
- Item 9: Other statements to the Court: Here, you may write any facts you believe the judicial officer needs to know to make the final decision about your case.
- Request(s) to the Court. Items 1, 2 and 3: Check the boxes that best tell what you want. If you wish the Court to consider an additional order, fill in Item 5 with WHAT you want and WHY you want the Court to Order it.
- Name Change: Optional. Complete this section ONLY if you want your name restored to a former name.
- When you are filing this Response with the Court Clerk, you will sign the oath in front of the clerk.

3. FORM: ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR) STATEMENT TO THE COURT: ADR is a method that you and your spouse may use to resolve your disputes outside of the courtroom. ADR may involve negotiation, conciliation, or mediation with the common theme of being faster, less formal, less expensive, and often less adversarial than a court trial.

- At the top of the form, please fill in your name, street address (if not protected), city, state, zip code, telephone number (if not protected), Attorney bar number (if you are represented by an Attorney).
- Check the space if you are representing yourself.
- Print the name of your spouse (the Petitioner), then print your name (as Respondent).
- If you are completing this form by yourself, check the box in front of the “Respondent’s Statement.” If you and your spouse are completing this form together, check the box in front of “Joint Statement.”
- Items 1 and 2: Put a checkmark in the boxes that best tells the Court what form of ADR you want. NOTE THE 90 DAY DEADLINE (See below)
- Date and Sign you name to the form, and add this ADR form to the Response form.
- **90 DAY DEADLINE:** The parties must meet (in person or by telephone), within 90 days of the filing of the response with the court (not the date the response is delivered to the petitioner). If you have not discussed these matters with the other party as required, be prepared to explain to the court the reasons. (“Inconvenience” is not an acceptable reason.)
- Within 30 days AFTER you meet, and NOT LATER THAN 120 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE RESPONSE WAS ORIGINALLY FILED WITH THE CLERK OF COURT you must file the “Alternative Dispute Resolution Statement to the Court.”

- You may file earlier, but not later than 30 days after discussing your ADR options with the other party. If you cannot agree to file together on one form (jointly), then you must both file your own forms separately. If you have not discussed these matters as required, you must file your separate forms within 120 days after the date the Response was filed. There is no charge for this filing. Keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

STEP 2: MAKE Two (2) copies of the following FORMS:

- Response
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Statement to the Court

NOTE: You will now have 2 copies plus 1 original set of forms.

STEP 3: ADD the Family Court / Sensitive Data Coversheet form to the **1 original** set of forms. **Separate** this original set of forms.

- 3 SETS:** You should have a total of **1 original** set of forms, **plus 2 copies** of the forms (your photocopies from STEP 3 above):

SET 1 – ORIGINALS	SET 2 – Copies for SPOUSE	SET 3 – Copies for YOU
Family Court / Sensitive Data Coversheet	-	-
Response	Response	Response
ADR Statement to the Court	ADR Statement to the Court	ADR Statement to the Court

STEP 4: TAKE your 3 sets of papers to the Superior Court, Family Court Filing Counter at one of the locations listed below. The Court is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Clerk of the Superior Court
CENTRAL COURT BUILDING
201 West Jefferson, 1st floor
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Clerk of the Superior Court
SOUTHEAST COURT COMPLEX
222 East Javelina Avenue, 1st floor
Mesa, Arizona 85210

Clerk of the Superior Court
NORTHEAST COURT COMPLEX
18380 North 40th Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85032

Clerk of the Superior Court
NORTHWEST COURT COMPLEX
14264 West Tierra Buena Lane
Surprise, Arizona 85374

STEP 5: HAND all 3 sets of papers to the clerk and pay your filing fee at the Family Court filing counter. Give sufficient time to file with the Clerk, as the office closes at 5:00 p.m. daily

FEES: A list of current fees is available from the Self Service Center and from the Clerk of Court's website.

If you cannot afford the filing fee and/or the fee for having the papers served by the Sheriff or by publication, you may request a deferral (payment plan) when you file your papers with the Clerk of the Court. Deferral Applications are available at no charge from the Self-Service Center.

- **WAIT** for the Court Clerk to give you back the following: 1) your copy of the set of papers, and 2) your spouse's copy of the set of papers.

STEP 6: KEEP one copy for you, and **MAIL or HAND DELIVER** the other set of papers to: 1) Your spouse's attorney or 2) If no attorney is involved, to your spouse.

STEP 7: READ the packet called the "Service of Court Papers", at the Superior Court Self Service Center, to find out how to serve the other party (your spouse).

WHAT NEXT? You will receive an Order from the Court to attend an Early Resolution Conference (ERC). If you fail to attend, you will be charged a "No Show" fee for failure to appear.

**ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR)
STATEMENT TO THE COURT-- FAM CT**

Procedures: When and How to Use the ADR Statement to the Court

On December 1, 2001, a change in the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure (A.R.C.P. 16(g)) imposed a duty on parties in any dispute before the courts to talk to each other (by telephone or in person) about the possibility of settlement and about whether some type of **ADR (Alternative Dispute Resolution)** process might help them to reach settlement. The Rule requires the parties to report to the court that they have discussed settlement or ADR, to inform the court about which ADR process (if any) they prefer, and when they expect to complete the process. Some of the various forms of ADR are explained on the following pages.

After a response is filed . . .

- (1) The Respondent must then immediately mail or deliver a blank copy of the ADR statement (and these instructions) to the Petitioner along with a copy of the response that was filed.** (If either party is represented by an attorney, all communications should be sent directly to the attorney.)
- (2) The parties must meet (in person or by telephone), within 90 days of the filing of the response with the court (not the date the response is delivered to the petitioner). If you have not discussed these matters with the other party as required, be prepared to explain to the court the reasons.** ("Inconvenience" is not an acceptable reason.)
- (3) Within 30 days AFTER you meet, and NOT LATER THAN 120 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE RESPONSE WAS ORIGINALLY FILED WITH THE CLERK OF COURT you must file the "Alternative Dispute Resolution Statement to the Court."**

You may file earlier, but not later than 30 days after discussing your ADR options with the other party. If you cannot agree to file together on one form (jointly), then you must both file your own forms separately. If you have not discussed these matters as required, you must *file your separate forms* within 120 days after the date the Response was filed. There is no charge for this filing. Keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

GO TO THE COURT TO FILE YOUR PAPERS: The Court is open from 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday. You should go to the court at least **two hours** before it closes. You may file your court papers at the following Superior Court locations:

The Clerk of the Superior Court
CENTRAL COURT BUILDING
201 West Jefferson, 1st floor
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

OR

The Clerk of the Superior Court
SOUTHEAST COURT FACILITY
222 East Javelina Avenue, 1st floor
Mesa, Arizona 85210

OR

The Clerk of Superior Court
NORTHWEST COURT FACILITY
14264 West Tierra Buena Lane
Surprise, Arizona 85374

The Clerk of the Superior Court
NORTHEAST REGIONAL COURT CENTER
18380 North 40th Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85032

INFORMATION ABOUT ADR (ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION) PROCESSES

ADR is any peaceful alternative to the courtroom process that helps parties in court disputes reach settlement without having the judge decide all issues. Court sponsored ADR programs are currently available at no extra cost, or you may choose to hire a private ADR provider at your own expense. There are different types of ADR processes, several of which, including mediation, arbitration, and settlement conferences, are explained below.

The purpose of ADR is to encourage settlement of family court cases.

Benefits of ADR include, but are not limited to:

- ADR provides parties opportunity to resolve disputes more quickly and less expensively than a full trial.
- ADR provides parties more control over the outcome in a negotiated settlement.
- ADR provides parties greater satisfaction with results than litigation.
- ADR provides parties a greater chance of establishing or maintaining a working relationship.

COURT SPONSORED ADR OPTIONS

MEDIATION OR OPEN NEGOTIATION through CONCILIATION SERVICES of child custody or parenting time (formerly "visitation"), are court-sponsored ADR alternatives where parties work with a neutral third party (the "mediator" or "negotiator") to reach mutual agreement on future parenting responsibilities. Parents choosing to mediate or negotiate through Conciliation Services are **required** to attend a minimum number of mediation sessions.

Mediation offers parents an opportunity to make their own decisions about their child(ren)'s future care. The mediator, a neutral counselor, works with parties to reach agreement regarding custody and/or parenting time. Mediation conferences are private and confidential. Nothing said or written during mediation may be disclosed unless all parties to the mediation give their consent. The mediator helps parents identify their child(ren)'s needs and each parent's ability to meet those needs, by restructuring family relationships. Together, they generate options and consider choices to develop a workable parenting plan that meet the child(ren)'s best interests. Parties who reach agreement in mediation have a 14 day "objection period" to raise any concerns or points of confusion contained in the agreement. If no objections are raised, the Parenting Plan is adopted as an order of the court, which makes it binding on the parties.

Open negotiation is a process similar to mediation, in that the negotiator helps parties identify their child(ren)'s needs, and how they will meet those needs in the future. However, open negotiation is NOT confidential. Parties meet with the negotiator to try to resolve their differences. If they are unable to agree, the negotiator may give feedback to the court on areas of agreement and disagreement. In addition, attorneys are entitled to be present in open negotiation sessions, if they so choose.

There is currently no extra charge for these services *pre-decree*. If however you return to court to mediate custody or parenting time (visitation) issues *post-decree*, after a court order has been signed, "post-decree mediation fees" will apply.

SETTLEMENT CONFERENCES are pre-trial meetings between the parties, their attorneys (if represented) and the conference officer, where they attempt to settle all issues in dispute before going to trial. The judicial officer helps parties evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of their case and may also suggest ways to resolve disputed matters, but they will not decide the case or make recommendations to the Court. There is currently no extra charge for this service.

PRIVATE PROVIDER OPTIONS (You are responsible for all costs.)

In Private Mediation, parties work with a neutral third party (the mediator), who helps them identify their needs and explore viable options to settle all issues surrounding their Family Court case, including custody, parenting time, child support, property division, etc. With the aid of the mediator, the parties can determine the outcome of their case. A roster of private mediators is available through the Court's Self-Service Center. You can access the Family Court Mediator Rosters at:

Phoenix – 101 West Jefferson, 1st Fl. M – F, 7:30am – 5:00pm
Mesa – 222 East Javelina Avenue, 1st Fl. M – F, 8:00am – 5:00pm
Surprise- 14264 West Tierra Buena Lane, M – F, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
North Phoenix – 18380 North 40th Street, M – F, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

OR via the Superior Court Web page via the Internet.

In Private Settlement Conference, the ADR neutral helps parties reach settlement by taking a more directive approach than in mediation. The neutral will focus on the conflict's legal issues, realistically evaluating case strengths and weaknesses, and actively suggesting and weighing options for the parties to consider, as they attempt to resolve their case.

In Private Arbitration your case is submitted to one or more neutral individuals, who after receiving evidence and hearing arguments have the power to make a decision resolving the dispute (unlike mediation, where the mediator does not make a decision for the parties). In arbitration, parties may limit the range of issues to be decided or the scope of relief to be awarded and arbitration may be binding or non-binding. When parties agree to binding-arbitration, the arbitrator's decision is final; it can be enforced by the court and may not be appealable. When arbitration is non-binding, the arbitrator's decision is advisory and will be final only if parties agree to adopt it. Some arbitration providers are listed in the Yellow Pages under "Arbitration Services".

Private Judging involves hiring an individual, usually an experienced attorney or former judge, to act as a judge in your case. The person acting as judge listens to each party present their case and makes a decision. The decision is usually legally binding (has the force of law) but may be advisory (a suggested solution), depending on what the parties agree to in advance. Attorneys may be consulted at any time. The proceedings are private and confidential. The decision may be made part of a court judgment or ruling as well.

OTHER PRIVATE OPTIONS: Private ADR providers may offer additional options or variations on those already described. Some may also offer evening or weekend hours or other conveniences. Some churches or other religious or social service organizations may also offer family counseling, arbitration or mediation services. You may also find additional providers listed in the Maricopa County Directory of Human Services and Self-Help Support Groups, available at public libraries or by phone at 602-263-8856.

You may also find private providers in the Yellow Pages under "Arbitration" and "Mediation." Be aware that there are differences among private providers. While some are trained specialists, counselors, and attorneys, others are not. There are no licensing or minimal educational requirements to advertise as a mediator, arbitrator, or alternative dispute resolution provider.

As with hiring any private business for service, we recommend asking friends and relatives for referrals for any of the services mentioned above. You are responsible for all costs involved in using private providers.

Person Filing: _____
 Address (if not protected): _____
 City, State, Zip Code: _____
 Telephone: _____
 Email Address: _____
 ATLAS Number: _____
 Lawyer's Bar Number: _____



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Representing Self, without a Lawyer or Attorney for Petitioner OR Respondent

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN MARICOPA COUNTY

_____ Petitioner	Case No. _____ ATLAS No. _____ FAMILY COURT /SENSITIVE DATA COVERSHEET WITHOUT CHILDREN (CONFIDENTIAL RECORD)
_____ Respondent	

Fill out. File with Clerk of Court. Social Security Numbers should appear on this form only and should be omitted from other court forms. Access Confidential pursuant to ARFLAP 43(G)(1).

A. Personal Information:	Petitioner	Respondent
Name	_____	_____
Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Male or <input type="checkbox"/> Female	<input type="checkbox"/> Male or <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)	_____	_____
Social Security Number	_____	_____

**WARNING: DO NOT INCLUDE MAILING ADDRESS ON THIS FORM
 IF REQUESTING ADDRESS PROTECTION**

Mailing Address	_____	_____
City, State, Zip Code	_____	_____
Contact Phone	_____	_____
Email Address	_____	_____
Current Employer Name	_____	_____
Employer Address	_____	_____
Employer City, State, Zip Code	_____	_____
Employer Telephone Number	_____	_____
Employer Fax Number	_____	_____

B. Type of Case being filed - Check only one category. <i>*Check only if no other category applies</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Dissolution (Divorce) <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Separation <input type="checkbox"/> Annulment <input type="checkbox"/> Order of Protection <input type="checkbox"/> Other*	Interpreter Needed: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, what language(s)? _____ _____
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DO NOT COPY THIS DOCUMENT. DO NOT SERVE THIS DOCUMENT TO THE OTHER PARTY.



Person Filing: _____
Address (if not protected): _____
City, State, Zip Code: _____
Telephone: _____
Email Address: _____
ATLAS Number: _____
Lawyer's Bar Number: _____

Representing Self, without a Lawyer or Attorney for Petitioner OR Respondent

**SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
MARICOPA COUNTY**

Regarding the matter of:

Case Number: _____

Name of Petitioner

**RESPONSE TO "PETITION FOR
ANNULMENT OF NON-COVENANT
MARRIAGE WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN"**

AND

Name of Respondent

STATEMENTS TO THE COURT, UNDER OATH or AFFIRMATION:

I, **Respondent** _____ hereby state to and respond to the Court, the following true statements:

1. 90 DAY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT:

I have, and/or my spouse has lived or been stationed (while a member of the Armed Forces) in Arizona for **AT LEAST 90 days** before filing this action. If this statement is **NOT** true, you must wait until **one of you** has resided in Arizona 90 days before you can file or respond to the Petition for Annulment.

2. INFORMATION ABOUT MY SPOUSE, THE PETITIONER:

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

How long has your spouse (Petitioner) lived in AZ? _____ Yrs. _____ Mos.

3. INFORMATION ABOUT ME, THE RESPONDENT:

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

How long have you, the Respondent, lived in AZ? _____ Yrs. _____ Mos.

4. INFORMATION ABOUT OUR MARRIAGE:

- Date of our marriage: _____
- City, State, Country of marriage : _____
- Is your marriage a covenant marriage? YES NO
- If you disagree with what your spouse claims about the type of marriage you have, please attach to this form a copy of your marriage license to show what kind of marriage you have.

5. CHILDREN AND PREGNANCY: (Check one)

- No children** have been conceived from the marriage
- Wife if **NOT** pregnant **-OR-**
- Wife **IS** pregnant: Due Date _____ **AND** husband is **NOT** father of the child.

6. ANSWER(S) to the Petition for ANNULMENT: The Petitioner (your spouse) has pledged under oath to the Court that the marriage between Petitioner and Respondent is void for the reason(s) stated in the Petition. (Check the reason stated by the Petitioner; then on the line beside it, write your answer to the reason, or your argument (if you have one).

Petitioner's Reason(s)

Respondent's (Your) Answer

Absence of Mental Capacity

Absence of Physical Capacity

Absence of a Valid Marriage License

Blood Relationship

Concealment of prior Marital Status

Duress

Fraud

Lack of Contractual Intent

Misrepresentation as to Religion

Proxy Marriage

Refusal of Intercourse

Secret Attempt not to Abide by Antenuptial Agreement

Underage

Undissolved Prior Marriage

Other Reason(s) (Please explain your argument for or against the Petitioner's other reason)

(Length of marriage is not a reason or defense)

7. A. PROPERTY ACQUIRED BEFORE THE MARRIAGE: (Check the boxes that apply)

- I do not have any property that I brought into the marriage.
- My spouse did not bring any property into the marriage.
- I have property that I brought into the marriage.
- My spouse brought property into the marriage.

B. PROPERTY ACQUIRED DURING THE MARRIAGE: (Check the boxes that apply and fill in table as necessary)

- My spouse and I did not acquire any property during the marriage.
- My spouse and I acquired property during the marriage.

We propose dividing the property acquired during the marriage as follows:

DESCRIPTION of PROPERTY	PETITIONER's (Check if it applies)	RESPONDENT's (Check if it applies)

8. A. DEBTS INCURRED DURING THE MARRIAGE: (Check the boxes that apply and fill in table as necessary):

- My spouse and I did not incur any debts during the marriage.
- My spouse and I incurred debts during the marriage.

We propose dividing the responsibility for the debts incurred during the marriage as follows:

DESCRIPTION & AMOUNT of Debt	PETITIONER's (Check if it applies)	RESPONDENT's (Check if it applies)

B. SEPARATE DEBTS: (Check all boxes that apply):

- I do not have any debts that were incurred before the marriage.
- My spouse does not have any debts that were incurred before the marriage.
- I have separate debt that I incurred before the marriage that should be paid as described below:
- My spouse incurred separate debt before the marriage that should be paid as described below:

DESCRIPTION & AMOUNT of Debt	PETITIONER's (Check if it applies)	RESPONDENT's (Check if it applies)

9. OTHER STATEMENTS TO THE COURT UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION:

REQUESTS TO THE COURT:

WHEREFORE, Respondent declares all the above information to be true; the Respondent respectfully requests the Court:

1. ANNULMENT: (Check the box that best applies)

- Respondent requests (1) a decree of the Court declaring the marriage between the Petitioner and the Respondent null and void, and (2) grant an annulment of that marriage - **OR** –
- Respondent requests the Court find no grounds for annulment for the reasons stated in number six (6) above:

2. PROPERTY: (Check the box that best applies)

- Respondent requests (1) the Court fairly divide any property acquired during the marriage, and (2) confirm ownership of property acquired before the marriage as follows:

DESCRIPTION of PROPERTY	PETITIONER's (Check if it applies)	RESPONDENT's (Check if it applies)

- OR -

- Respondent requests the Court find no grounds for annulment for the reasons stated in number six (6) above, and make no division of property.

3. **DEBTS:** (Check the box that best applies)

- Respondent requests the Court Order each party to pay debts as requested in this Response as follows:

DESCRIPTION & AMOUNT of Debt	PETITIONER's (Check if it applies)	RESPONDENT's (Check if it applies)

- OR -

- Respondent requests the Court make no Order in regard to debts.

4. **NAME CHANGE:** (Optional. Complete this section ONLY if you want your name restored to a former name)

- My complete married name is:

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- I want my married name (as stated above) restored to: (List complete maiden name or legal name **before** this marriage)

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WARNING: If you are not the person who is requesting to have your former name restored, the Court must have a written request from the person who wants his/her name restored.

5. OTHER ORDERS:

• I ALSO MAKE THE FOLLOWING REQUEST TO THE COURT: (Explain request here)

Request:

UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that the contents of this document are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Person Sending Documents

Date

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me this: _____ by
(date)

_____.

(notary seal)

Deputy Clerk or Notary Public

Person Filing: _____
Address (if not protected): _____
City, State, Zip Code: _____
Telephone: _____
Email Address: _____
ATLAS Number: _____
Lawyer's Bar Number: _____

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Representing Self, without a Lawyer or Attorney for Petitioner OR Respondent

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN MARICOPA COUNTY

Petitioner

Case No. _____

Respondent

ATLAS No. _____

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION STATEMENT TO THE COURT A.R.F.L.P. 66(E)

Check appropriate box below:

Petitioner's Statement

Respondent's Statement

Joint Statement (signed by both parties)

Pursuant to the Arizona Rules of Family Law Procedure, we hereby state the following, under penalty of perjury:

1. The parties agree to participate in the following Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process and:
 - a. have selected the following ADR process:
 - Arbitration
 - Mediation
 - Settlement Conference
 - Other: _____
 - b. The parties will use a private provider OR
 The parties request a program provided through the court.
 - c. The person or company providing the ADR service is: _____
 - d. The parties expect to complete the ADR process by _____, ____.
2. The parties have been unable to agree on an ADR process.
 - The Petitioner Respondent believe(s) that the following ADR process would be appropriate: _____
 - The Petitioner Respondent request(s) a conference to discuss ADR.
 - The Petitioner Respondent believe(s) that an ADR process would not be appropriate for the following reason: _____

Date

Petitioner

Date

Respondent