

**SUPERIOR COURT OF COBB COUNTY  
STATE OF GEORGIA**

<hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 10px;"/> <div style="text-align: center;"><b>Plaintiff,</b></div> <div style="text-align: center;">v.</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 10px;"/></div> <div style="text-align: center;"><b>Defendant.</b></div>		<div style="text-align: center;"><b>Civil Action</b></div> <div style="text-align: center;"><b>File No.:</b> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; width: 200px; display: inline-block; margin-left: 10px;"/></div>
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**ANSWER TO COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE  
WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN AND COUNTERCLAIM FOR DIVORCE**

My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and I am representing myself in this divorce action. In support of my case, I state as follows:

*[For each numbered paragraph in this section, **circle** either Admits or Denies, as appropriate.]*

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| 1. | Defendant | Admits | Denies | the allegations contained in Paragraph 1 of the Complaint for Divorce. |
| 2. | Defendant | Admits | Denies | the allegations contained in Paragraph 2 of the Complaint for Divorce. |
| 3. | Defendant | Admits | Denies | the allegations contained in Paragraph 3 of the Complaint for Divorce. |
| 4. | Defendant | Admits | Denies | the allegations contained in Paragraph 4 of the Complaint for Divorce. |
| 5. | Defendant | Admits | Denies | the allegations contained in Paragraph 5 of the Complaint for Divorce. |
| 6. | Defendant | Admits | Denies | the allegations contained in Paragraph 6 of the Complaint for Divorce. |

7. Defendant      Admits      Denies      the allegations contained in Paragraph 7 of the Complaint for Divorce.
8. Defendant      Admits      Denies      the allegations contained in Paragraph 8 of the Complaint for Divorce.
9. Defendant      Admits      Denies      the allegations contained in Paragraph 9 of the Complaint for Divorce.
10. Defendant      Admits      Denies      the allegations contained in Paragraph 10 of the Complaint for Divorce.
11. Defendant      Admits      Denies      the allegations contained in Paragraph 11 of the Complaint for Divorce.
12. Defendant      Admits      Denies      the allegations contained in Paragraph 12 of the Complaint for Divorce.
13. Defendant      Admits      Denies      the allegations contained in Paragraph 13 of the Complaint for Divorce.

## **COUNTERCLAIM FOR DIVORCE**

14. **Subject Matter Jurisdiction and Venue:** This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties in this action, and venue is proper in this Court.

15. **Date of Marriage:**

*[Check and complete only one of the following, either (a) or (b).]*

☐ (a) The Plaintiff and I were lawfully married on \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ (b) The Plaintiff and I are married by common law because we lived together and held ourselves out as husband and wife before January 1, 1997, beginning on \_\_\_\_\_.

16. **Date of Separation:** The Plaintiff and I last separated on \_\_\_\_\_ and we have remained in a true state of separation since that date.

17. **Alimony:** *[Check only one of these, either (a), or (b).]*

- ☐ (a) I am financially dependent on the Plaintiff and need the Court to order the Plaintiff to pay alimony for my support.
- ☐ (b) I am not asking for alimony.

18. **Marital Property:** *[Check only one of these, either (a), (b), (c) or (d).]*

- ☐ (a) The Plaintiff and I have already divided our marital property, and we are both satisfied with the division.
- ☐ (b) The Plaintiff and I have not obtained any property during our marriage.
- ☐ (c) The Plaintiff and I have obtained the following property during our marriage, and I am asking for a fair division of this property:

☐ All of our property is listed on a separate sheet attached to this Complaint.

☐ All of our property is listed below: *[Check and complete all that apply.]*

☐ House (address): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

☐ Other Real Estate (address): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

☐ Mobile Home (year, model): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Pension(s)      Plaintiff's, worth: \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant's worth: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Motor Vehicles:      *Year, Make, Model*

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

☐ Bank Accounts:                      *Name of Institution, Type of Account*

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

☐ Other property: \_\_\_\_\_

**19. Joint or Marital Debts:** *[Check only one of these, either (a), or (b).]*

☐ (a) The Plaintiff and I do not have any outstanding joint or marital debts.

☐ (b) The Plaintiff and I have the following outstanding joint or marital debts, and responsibility for paying them should be as listed below:

Creditor	Balance	Who Should Pay

*[Attach additional pages if necessary.]*

**20. Restraining Order Where Violence Has Occurred:** *[Check **only** if applicable.]*

- ☐ There is a history of physical violence by the Plaintiff toward me, and I am afraid that the Plaintiff will engage in further acts of violence or harassment toward me unless the Court enters a temporary and permanent restraining order.

**21. Restore Former or Maiden Name:** *[Check **only** if applicable.]*

- ☐ I am asking the Court to restore my former or maiden name, which is:

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**22. Grounds for Divorce:** *[Check **all** that you can prove at trial.]*

My grounds for divorce from the Plaintiff are:

- ☐ (a) **Our marriage is irretrievably broken.** The Plaintiff and I can no longer live together and there is no hope that we will get back together.
- ☐ (b) **Cruel treatment:** The Plaintiff committed these acts of cruel treatment toward me:

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- ☐ (c) **Adultery:** The Plaintiff had sexual intercourse with someone else during our marriage.
- ☐ (d) **Desertion:** The Plaintiff has intentionally and continually deserted me for at least a year.
- ☐ (e) **Other grounds** from list in O.C.G.A. § 19-5-3, as explained here:

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**FOR THESE REASONS, I REQUEST THE FOLLOWING RELIEF:**

*[Check **all** that apply.]*

- ☐ (a) That process and summons issue as provided by law;
- ☐ (b) That Plaintiff be served with a copy of this Complaint;
- ☐ (c) That I be granted a total divorce from the Plaintiff;
- ☐ (d) That the Plaintiff be ordered to pay me alimony for my support;
- ☐ (e) That our marital property be divided according to Paragraph 18;
- ☐ (f) That our joint or marital debts be divided according to Paragraph 19;

- ☐ (g) That the Plaintiff be temporarily and permanently restrained from harassing me or committing any acts of violence toward me;
- ☐ (h) That my former or maiden name be restored according to Paragraph 21;
- ☐ (i) That a *Rule Nisi* be scheduled by the Court, to decide on the temporary relief I have requested;
- ☐ (j) That the Court issue its Standing Order;
- ☐ (k) That the Court order any and all other relief that the Court finds appropriate.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Defendant, *Self-Represented*

Name *[print or type]*: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_