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**REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION OF PARTIES’ ATTENDANCE AT THE UNCONTESTED DIVORCE HEARING**

Date

To: Registrar

Family Justice Courts, Singapore

DIVORCE SUIT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*TITLE AS IN ACTION*

**REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION OF PARTIES’ ATTENDANCE AT THE UNCONTESTED DIVORCE HEARING**

1. a) We act for the Plaintiff in the above proceedings. M/s \_\_\_\_\_\_ acts for the Defendant or Defendant acts in person\*. We write to confirm that the above divorce will proceed on an uncontested basis as (*please tick all the applicable paragraphs*)
   * 1. the Defendant has filed an Memorandum of Appearance indicating the Defendant is not contesting the divorce; or
     2. an Order for Dispensation of Service on the Defendant was granted on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; or
     3. Acknowledgment of Service/Affidavit of Service\* has been filed on \_\_\_\_\_\_ and Defendant did not enter appearance; or
     4. Defendant had failed to file the Defence within the timelines stated in the Family Justice Rules; or
     5. both parties have agreed that the divorce will proceed on an uncontested basis on the Claim/and Counterclaim\*. The Defence & Counterclaim/Reply and Defence to Counterclaim/Reply to Defence to Counterclaim\* has/have been withdrawn on (*insert date*).

(*to use the following paragraph if proceeding on the Counterclaim only*)

b) We act for the Defendant in the above proceedings. M/s \_\_\_\_\_\_acts for the Plaintiff or Plaintiff acts in person\*. We write to confirm that the above divorce shall proceed on an uncontested basis as:-

(i)  both parties have agreed that the divorce will proceed on an uncontested basis on the Counterclaim. The Statement of Particulars/Defence/Reply and Defence to Counterclaim/Reply to Defence to Counterclaim\* has/have been withdrawn on (*insert date*).; or

(ii)  the Plaintiff has failed to file the Defence to Counterclaim within the timelines stated in the Family Justice Rules

1. We confirm as follows:

(a) Grounds of Divorce:

(i)  adultery by Plaintiff and/or Defendant\*

(ii)  unreasonable behaviour by Plaintiff and/or Defendant\*

(iii)  2 years’ desertion by Plaintiff/Defendant\*

(iv)  3 years’ separation with consent

(v)  4 years’ separation.

Ancillary Matters

(b) (i)  There are no ancillary matters to be adjourned to be heard in Chambers.

(ii)  All of the ancillary matters have been agreed and the Draft Consent Order has been filed on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(date).

(iii)  Some of the ancillary matters have been agreed and the Draft Consent Order has been filed on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(date) and Prayers (\_\_) to (\_\_) of the Statement of Claim/Counterclaim are to be adjourned to be heard in Chambers. We request for:-

* \_\_\_ weeks to file and exchange the Affidavit of Assets and Means and a Case Conference to be fixed; or
* A mediation session as both parties have agreed to attend.

(iv)  The ancillary matters have not been agreed and Prayers (\_\_) to (\_\_) of the Statement of Claim/Counterclaim are to be adjourned to be heard in Chambers. We request for:-

* \_\_\_ weeks to file and exchange the Affidavit of Assets and Means and a Case Conference to be fixed; or
* A mediation session as both parties have agreed to attend.

1. We confirm that parties will not be making any further applications (e.g. abridgment of time, cost, withdrawal or amendment of pleadings etc.).
2. Parties understand that the Court may not make the required orders as requested if any of the papers are not in order, in which case a further hearing (in open court or in chambers with counsels present) will be scheduled.

Signature

Name of Solicitor for the Plaintiff/Defendant\*

Name of Law Firm

cc Solicitor for the Defendant/Plaintiff or Defendant-in-person/Plaintiff-in-person\*

\*Delete where inapplicable