DECREE OF DISSOLUTION WITH CHILDREN

Case Caption [DR1(B), DR12]

- 1. Parties' names.
- 2. Parties' addresses. The filing party may request that their address be confidential through the filing of a motion.
- 3. Parties' telephone numbers.
- 4. Parties' date of birth.
- 5. The name of the assigned judge.
- 6. Case number.
- 7. The caption of each pleading shall contain the identification: Court of Common Pleas, Butler County, Ohio, Domestic Relations Division and further identification of the type of pleading.
- 8. The case caption shall contain the words "Final Appealable Order".

Style of Pleading [DR12]

- 1. All pleadings and forms required by the Court shall be typewritten or printed legibly in ink.
- 2. All pleadings and forms shall be printed on white letter size paper (approximately 8 ½" by 11").
- 3. All pleadings and forms shall be printed on one side only, with 1" margins, and each page shall be numbered.

Statement of Hearing

- 1. A place for the name of the hearing officer who heard the case in the body of the Decree.
- 2. A place for the date the hearing was held in the body of the Decree.
- 3. If a magistrate heard the hearing, a waiver of findings of fact and conclusions of law and objection period unless a DR18 is filed.

Duration of Marriage [DR49(B)(4)]

1. A finding of fact regarding the duration of the marriage, or a specific waiver of such finding.

Statement regarding Separation Agreement

1. A statement incorporating the Separation Agreement by reference into the Decree is required.

<u>Jurisdiction of Child(ren): Juvenile Court or another Court [DR49(C)]</u>

- 1. When the children are subject to a parenting order through a "DS" case from this Court pursuant to O.R.C 2301(K), every decree and final order for divorce, annulment or legal separation shall include:
 - i. A statement that this Court, through case number "DS____" has jurisdiction over some or all of the children of a marriage and identify those children by name.
 - ii. A statement that the parenting order adopted in the decree and final order addresses all parenting issues.
 - iii. A statement that "DS____" shall be dismissed upon filing of the decree and final order, and that all further parenting issues will be addressed in the "DR" case.

Statement of Child Support Arrears [DR49(C)(13)]

1. A statement of child support arrears, if applicable and date owed through. This statement is not required if a Decree of Shared Parenting is submitted.

Payment of Court Costs [DR15]

1. The Decree shall set forth how court costs are to be paid.

Counsel Identification

- 1. Counsel for plaintiff provided their name, Supreme Court Registration Number, address and telephone number.
- 2. Counsel for defendant provided their name, Supreme Court Registration Number, address and telephone number.

Signatures on Decree

- 1. If both petitioners are represented by counsel, the Decree is signed by both attorneys.
- 2. If one party is represented by counsel, the Decree is signed by the attorney and the *pro se* litigant.
- 3. If neither party is represented by counsel, the Decree is signed by both *pro* se litigants.
- 4. A signature line for hearing officer. (If a magistrate heard the final hearing, a signature line for the magistrate and assigned case judge must be present.)

Number of Copies [DR13]

1. Six (6) copies, plus the original.

Required Documents to be submitted with the Decree

- 1. If spousal support is ordered and paid through CSEA, a Withholding Order/Qualified Medical Child Support Order Information Sheet (Form DR201).
- 2. If spousal support is ordered and paid through CSEA, an original Title IV-D Application (Form ODHS 7076).
- 3. A completed and signed child support computation worksheet.