DISTRICT COURT OF THE KAW NATION Drawer 50 698 Grandview Drive Kaw City, OK 74641 (580) 269-2552 x 111

This form packet is supplied by the Kaw Nation Court Clerk's Office. Nothing in these forms is to be construed as providing legal advice. It is highly recommended that you review these documents with an attorney. The Kaw Nation Court Clerk, Kaw Nation District Court, nor the Kaw Nation shall be liable for any use of the following forms.

Parties seeking an Order of the Court are responsible for completing all required documents. The Court Clerk cannot fill out the form for you nor can they give out legal advice. The Kaw Nation does not provide lawyers, legal advice, or legal assistance. If you need legal advice or representation, you must retain an attorney at your expense. Your selected Attorney must be registered to practice law with the Kaw Nation Bar Association prior to representing you in the Kaw Nation District Court. You may contact the Court Clerk for a current list of KNBA attorneys.

All fees, including service fees, must be paid at the time of filing. Fees cannot be waived unless a Paupers Affidavit has been filed and approved by the Judge prior to filing. This form may be requested from the Court Clerk.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING

- 1. A filing fee of \$75.00 is required when filing a Petition for Divorce. Most other filings are \$50.00. There is no cost to file a Protective Order. Please be prepared to inform the Court Clerk as to which type of Process Service you will be utilizing at the time of filing your packet.
- 2. All parties must be notified of the filing of a Petition and any pending hearings. Respondents are allowed twenty (20) days from service of a Petition to file an answer with the Court. It will be at least a month from your file date before a court date will be set unless the Respondent signs a Waiver. A Notice of Hearing and/or Summons may be served by Tribal Police within Kay and Osage County for a Service Fee of \$50.00. If the parties reside outside of the Kay and Osage County areas, a private process server may need to be hired for service at a starting rate of \$99.00. You will be billed for the remaining due amount.
- 3. The Notice may also be served through Certified Mail. A Service Fee of \$17.00 will be assessed for the Court Clerk to mail the Notice.

- 4. It is required by law that Notice be given to the Respondent, so it is necessary to have a current mailing and physical address for this person. If you do not have an address, additional charges will need to be paid to obtain Notice by Publication in the local newspaper. THIS FEE CANNOT BE WAIVED AND WILL NEED TO BE PAID WHEN FILING FORMS. A fee of \$75.00 (average publication cost) will be accessed. Keep in mind that the fee assessed for publication is an average cost and it could cost more. If the cost is more than \$75.00, you will be responsible for the balance due at the end of publication.
- 5. To begin the filing process, the following required documents must be submitted to the Court Clerk:
 - Copy of your Driver's License (or State ID)
 - Copy of your Marriage Certificate
 - Copies of Birth Certificates
 - Copies of Death Certificates (if applicable)
 - Copies of CDIB Cards
 - Contact Information Sheet
 - Petition
 - Financial Affidavit (Divorce)
 - Statement of Facts (Guardianship)
 - OK Sex Offenders Registration Affidavit (Adoption, Custody and Guardianship)
 - Request for Hearing
 - Summons
 - Filing and Service fees
- 6. Please ensure that all required documentation has been attached and provided at the time of filing your Petition. Make sure that you completely fill out the documents and attach the required documentation. Documents that are not completely filled out can delay the process of your case. Parties are responsible for completing their own petition forms. The court clerk cannot give legal advice or assist you in filling out the forms.
- 7. Once your Petition and all required documentation has been received, an Order for Hearing will be issued by the Court Clerk informing all parties of the date and time of the scheduled hearing.
- 8. In an adoption, you MUST have an attorney. Also, once the Petition is filed, an in-home study must be completed before the adoption can be finalized (unless it is a step-parent adoption).

CONTACT INFORMATION

Petitioner's Full Name:		
Previous Names:		
If Married, To Whom:	Date:	City/County/State:
Mailing Address (Including County):		
Physical Address (Including County):		
Work Address:		
Home Phone:		Work Phone:
Cell Phone:		Email:
CDIB No:		Tribe:
DOB:		SSN:
Born in City/County/State:		Birth Certificate #:
DL No:		DL State:
Hair Color:		Eye Color:
Height:		Weight:
Race:		
Distinguishing Features (Tattoos, Scars, etc.)		
Attorney:		
Respondent's Full Name:		
Previous Names:		
If Married, To Whom:	Date:	City/County/State:
Mailing Address (Including County):		
Physical Address (Including County):		
Work Address:		
Home Phone:		Work Phone:
Cell Phone:		Email:
CDIB No:		Tribe:
DOB:		SSN:
Born in City/County/State:		Birth Certificate #:
DL No:		DL State:
Hair Color:		Eye Color:
Height:		Weight:
Race:		
Distinguishing Features (Tattoos, Scars, etc.)		
Attorney:		
Notes:		

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE KAW NATION KAW CITY, OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of t	he Marriage of	
and	Petitioner,	
	Respondent.	

Case No. FD-20_____

PETITION FOR DIVORCE WITH CHILDREN

COMES NOW the Petitioner and petitions the Kaw Nation District Court for a Dissolution of Marriage. The Petitioner alleges that the marriage is in a state of incompatibility and is irretrievably broken and the parties are not likely to reconcile, thereby requesting that a divorce be granted in accordance with Kaw Nation Code. For his/her cause of action against the Respondent, he/she states and alleges the following:

1. That the
Petitioner
Respondent is an enrolled member of the Kaw Nation;

OR

The Detitioner Despondent has resided within the Kaw Tribal Jurisdiction for more than a three (3) month period preceding the filing of this Petition;

OR

That the \Box Petitioner \Box Respondent is an enrolled member of ______ a federally recognized tribe or band of Indians and has consented to the Court's jurisdiction; AND

- That the Petitioner is requesting a Dissolution of Marriage due to □ irreconcilable differences □ adultery □ extreme cruelty □ abandonment and/or □ habitual intemperance; and
- 3. That the Petitioner is _____ years of age, □ is □ is not employed and resides at ______ and has resided there for _____ □ months □ years; and
- 4. That the Respondent is _____ years of age, □ Is □ is not employed and resides at _____ and has resided

there for $_$ \Box months \Box years; and

- 5. That the parties were married on the _____ day of _____, ___ in the State of _____; and
- 6. That the parties have been separated since the _____ day of _____,

____; and

- 7. There were _____ child(ren) born of the marriage:
 - a. _____(name), a □ male □ female child born on
 ______(mm/dd/yyyy), and □ is □ is not eligible for
 enrollment with a federally recognized Tribe; and
 - b. _____(name), a \square male \square female child born on

_____ (mm/dd/yyyy), and \square is \square is not eligible for

enrollment with a federally recognized Tribe; and

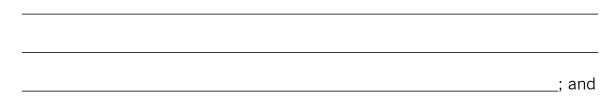
- c. ______(name), a □ male □ female child born on ______(mm/dd/yyyy), and □ is □ is not eligible for enrollment with a federally recognized Tribe; and
 d. _______(name), a □ male □ female child born on ______(mm/dd/yyyy), and □ is □ is not eligible for enrollment with a federally recognized Tribe; and
 e. _______(name), a □ male □ female child born on _______(name), a □ male □ female child born on enrollment with a federally recognized Tribe; and
- 8. At the time of filing this Petition there are no other children expected of this marriage:
 no
 yes, expected due date: _____; and
- 9. That at the time of filing this Petition the child(ren) currently reside with the Detitioner Detitioner at

____; and

- 10. That at the time of filing this Petition there □ is □ is not an ongoing case that includes the child(ren) listed in the Petition; Type of case: □ custody □ guardianship □ protection order; Date issued: _____; Case no: _____; and
- 11. That the Petitioner is a fit and proper person to have □ joint custody
 □ sole custody and control of the said minor child(ren) of the parties; and
- 12. That the Respondent \Box is \Box is not a fit and proper person to have joint care, custody and control of the said minor child(ren) of the parties

and that the Court order \Box joint custody and visitation \Box sole custody and determine if visitation is appropriate; and

13. That the Respondent should not share joint custody and visitation because of the following:



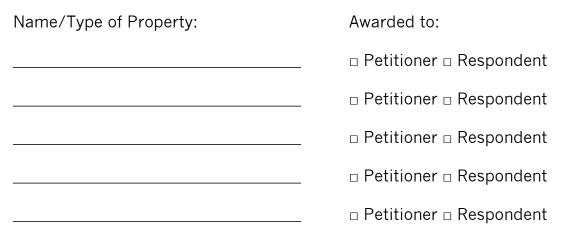
- 14. That the Respondent has the ability to seek and gain meaningful employment and □ is employed □ is not employed and that they should be ordered and directed to make temporary payments of child support for the maintenance and support of the child(ren) named in this Petition; and
- 15. That the Petitioner and/or Respondent be ordered to submit an application and cooperate with the Kaw Nation Child Support Division to determine appropriate child support; and
- 16. That this portion of the Petitioner's Petition shall be construed as their application for orders for □ joint custody and visitation □ sole custody and determine if visitation is appropriate and temporary child support of the minor child(ren) of the parties; and
- 17. That the Petitioner \Box is \Box is not requesting spousal support to be paid in an amount and duration deemed appropriate; and

- 18. That the Petitioner requests use of the □ marital home and/or □ family vehicle during the pendency of this action; and
- 19. That the following debts have incurred during the course of this marriage and should be divided as follows:

Creditor:	Amount:	Awarded to:
	\$	Petitioner - Respondent
	\$	Petitioner - Respondent
	\$	Petitioner Respondent
	\$	Petitioner Respondent
	\$	□ Petitioner □ Respondent

(Attach a separate sheet of paper if more room is needed)

20. That the following property has been acquired during the course of this marriage and should be divided as follows:



(Attach a separate sheet of paper if more room is needed)

- The Petitioner wishes to □ resume married name □ restore last name to: _____; and
- 22. The Kaw Nation has jurisdiction and is the proper place of venue for this matter pursuant to the Constitution of the Kaw Nation; and

WHEREFORE, the Petitioner prays for a final decree of divorce on the grounds of incompatibility; a fair and equitable division of the property and debts of the marriage between the parties; order custody of the minor child(ren) and permanent child support; and for such other relief as the Kaw Nation District Court deems equitable and just.

Petitioner's Printed Name

VERIFICATION

I, _____, do solemnly swear that I am the Plaintiff and that the contents and facts herein are true and correct.

Petitioner's Signature

STATE OF OKLAHOMA) COUNTY OF _____)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me on this _____ day of _____, 20____.

(Seal)

Notary Public

Commission expires on: _____

Commission No.: _____

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE KAW NATION KAW CITY, OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the			
and	Petitioner,)) Case)))	e No
	<u>FINA</u>	NCIAL AFFIDAVIT	
Financial Disclosure	e is for: (name)		
Social Security Nun Mailing Address			th
Child(ren)			
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	MENTS FROM		HE LAST TWO (2) YEARS OR PAYCHECK STUBS)
Employer		Occupation	
Employers Address	Address	City	State Zip

Hourly rate of Pay \$ If salaried \$ Page 1 of 5

Pay Period	(Weekly, Bi-Weekly, Monthly)	Pay above is for (Weekly, Bi-Weekly, Monthly, Yearly)				
Average Ho week	urs per	lf paid v	weekly x 4.3, I	oiweekly x 2.15		
	Gross Monthly Income	\$				
<u>OTHER SO</u> Public Assi	URCES OF INCOME	\$	(Monthly)	% Tax Paid		
Rental Inco		Ψ_ \$				
	ce/Alimony	۹ <u>-</u> \$				
Bonus/Cor	•	۹ <u>-</u> \$				
-	Deferred Income	Ψ_ \$				
-	Retirement	\$				
Social Secu		\$				
	Inemployment Compensa					
	Interest/Capital Gains	\$				
Military/Ve	·	\$				
-	Farm/Jobs for Cash	\$				
Any other S	Source	\$				
	Total Gross Inco	ome: \$ _				
OTHER ASS	<u>SETS</u>					
<u>Bank Accou</u>	<u>ints</u> :					
Name & Ac	ddress of Institution	Type o accour		rage bal. over 6 nths		
Name & Ac	ddress of Institution	Type o accour		rage bal. over 6 nths		
Real Estate	:					
	F	Page 2 of 5				

			\$					
Address/Location				Mortga Balance	-		Type of	nterest
Insurance:						\$	9	5
Type of Ins. and Is Company	ssuing	5	Be	neficiary		Fac Val		Cash Value
Vehicles (All types	<u>of ma</u> \$	<u>otorized)</u> \$:	<u>Sto</u>	<u>cks</u> \$	& Sec	<u>urities</u> :	
Type/Make/Year	Lo Ba	an		No. Shares		Value	lssuer	
	\$	\$			\$			
Type/Make/Year	Lo Ba	an		No. Shares		Value	Issuer	
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Other Assets:

List any other item that has a value of \$250.00 or more including collectibles, equipment, machinery, furniture, electronics, precious metals or stones, tools and implements.

Type of Asset	Outstanding Loan	Net Value
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$ 	\$
	\$ 	\$

FUTURE INCOME

When do you expect to receive the next pay raise from your employer?	/	/
What is the amount of your last two (2) pay \$	\$	
Do you expect to receive monies, from any source, in the next year?	YES	NO

If "YES" from what source and when?		/	/
	 	_/	_ /

- If you are not married, but share a household with any other adult, indicate only your share of those expenses. (Example: If rent for the household is \$400.00, and you pay \$200.00, enter \$200.00)
- If your rent, utilities, food or any other expenses are included with your rent payment, do not enter that amount separately, but indicate that they are included with your rent.
- If you need additional space, complete your answer on the backside of the question page.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing and any attachments hereto are true and correct. Dated this _____ day of _____, 202____.

Signature

Print Name

VERIFICATION

STATE OF OKLAHOMA) COUNTY OF _____)

I, _____, do solemnly swear that the contents and facts herein are true and correct.

Applicant

Notary Public

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me on this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Commission expires on: _____

Commission No.: _____

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE KAW NATION KAW CITY, OKLAHOMA

VS.	Petitioner, , Respondent.)))))	Case No
		OR	
IN RE: 	,)))	Case No

REQUEST FOR HEARING

Petitioner, _____, requests this Court schedule a hearing on Petitioner's Petition.

Dated this _____ day of ______, 20____.

Petitioner's Printed Name

Petitioner's Signature

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE KAW NATION KAW CITY, OKLAHOMA

VS.	Petitioner, , , Respondent.)))))	Case No
		OR	
IN RE: DOB:)))	Case No
		<u>SUMM(</u>	<u>ONS</u>
			TION TO: ame and Address)

To the above-named Respondent:

You are ordered and directed to appear at the District Court for the Kaw Nation, in Kaw City, Oklahoma, on the _____ day of _____, 20___, at 10:00 am.

If you fail to appear and/or file an answer to the Petition attached hereto within twenty (20) days of receiving this Summons, a default judgment may be rendered against you.

You may seek the advice of an attorney in any matter connected with this suit or your answer. Such attorney should be consulted immediately.

Issued this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Court Clerk

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

SERVICE BY PROCESS SERVER

l,	hereby certify that I ser	ved this	
Summons together with a copy of the Pe	tition upon		
at am/pm on the	_ day of	, 20 ar	nd
made the return according to law, and the	nat I am duly authorized	to endorse	this
affidavit, so help me God.			

Police Officer/Process Server

Subscribed to and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____. 20____.

Notary Public's Signature: _____

My commission expires: _____

My commission number: _____

CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE BY MAIL

I hereby certify that I mailed copies of the foregoing Summons with a copy of the Petition attached, to the following named parties at the address shown by certified mail, addressee only, return receipt requested, on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Court Clerk