

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Plaintiff's name, address, and telephone number)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Plaintiff, *Pro Se*

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
CHANCERY DIVISION—FAMILY PART

\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY  
(County where complaint is filed)

DOCKET NO. FM \_\_\_\_\_  
(Assigned by the court at the time of the filing of the complaint)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Plaintiff

vs.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant

CIVIL ACTION

**COMPLAINT FOR  
DIVORCE/DISSOLUTION  
Based on Separation**

1. Plaintiff, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Your name)  
resides at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Your address)

\_\_\_\_\_,  
City of \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_,  
and State of \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Defendant, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Defendant's name)  
resides at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Defendant's address)

\_\_\_\_\_,  
City of \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_,  
and State of \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Plaintiff lawfully entered into a \_\_\_\_\_ with the  
(Marriage/civil union)  
 defendant, \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Defendant's name) (Date of your marriage/civil union)  
 in a \_\_\_\_\_ ceremony in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Civil or religious)  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
(City and state/city and country of the ceremony)

4. The parties separated on or about \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date you and your spouse/partner began to live apart)

Ever since that time and for more than 18 consecutive months, the parties have lived separately and apart and in different locations. The separation has continued to the present time and there is no reasonable prospect of reconciliation.

5. At the point at which the parties had lived separately for at least 18 months, plaintiff resided in \_\_\_\_\_  
(County/state in New Jersey, or state or country outside of New Jersey)

6. At the point at which the parties had lived separately for at least 18 months, defendant resided in \_\_\_\_\_  
(County/state in New Jersey, or state or country outside of New Jersey)

7. \_\_\_\_\_ been a  
(Plaintiff/Defendant/Both parties) (has/have)  
*bone fide* resident of New Jersey for the 12 consecutive months before the date of filing of this complaint.

8. (Check the appropriate statement below and fill in information where applicable)

\_\_\_\_ A. No children were born or adopted during this marriage.  
(Marriage/civil union)

\_\_\_\_ B. The following children were born or adopted during this  
marriage :  
(Marriage/civil union)

_____	_____
<small>(Full name)</small>	<small>(Birth date)</small>
_____	_____
<small>(Full name)</small>	<small>(Birth date)</small>
_____	_____
<small>(Full name)</small>	<small>(Birth date)</small>
_____	_____
<small>(Full name)</small>	<small>(Birth date)</small>

9. The plaintiff and defendant have been parties to the following prior actions:

(List any other court cases where you or your spouse/civil union partner are plaintiffs or defendants, such as cases for adoption, bankruptcy, personal injury, child support, custody, domestic violence, etc.)

A.		
	(Caption or title of the case)	(Docket number)
B.		
	(Caption or title of the case)	(Docket number)
C.		
	(Caption or title of the case)	(Docket number)
D.		
	(Caption or title of the case)	(Docket number)

**WHEREFORE**, plaintiff demands judgment:

(Check the appropriate statement below and fill in information where applicable)

- \_\_\_ A. Dissolving the \_\_\_\_\_ between the parties;  
(Marriage/civil union)
- \_\_\_ B. Ordering that all debts and assets be equitably distributed between the parties;
- \_\_\_ C. Ordering that defendant pay child support to plaintiff;
- \_\_\_ D. Ordering that plaintiff have physical custody of/be the parent of primary custody for the minor children;
- \_\_\_ E. Ordering that defendant pay alimony to plaintiff;
- \_\_\_ F. Permitting plaintiff to assume the use of the name of \_\_\_\_\_;  
(The name that you would like to assume after your divorce/dissolution)
- \_\_\_ G. \_\_\_\_\_;  
(If you are requesting other relief from court, describe what you want here. Be specific.)
- \_\_\_ H. \_\_\_\_\_;  
(If you are requesting other relief from court, describe what you want here. Be specific.)
- \_\_\_ I. Granting such further relief as the Court may deem just and equitable.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Plaintiff's signature)      Plaintiff, *Pro Se*

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Plaintiff's name printed)

Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date on which plaintiff signs this document)

CERTIFICATION OF VERIFICATION AND NON-COLLUSION PURSUANT TO  
R. 4:5-1

1. I am the plaintiff in the foregoing complaint.
2. The allegations of the complaint are true to the best of my knowledge,  
information, and belief. The complaint is made in truth and good faith and  
without collusion for the causes set forth therein.
3. The matter in controversy in the within action is not the subject of any other  
action pending in any court or of a pending arbitration proceeding, nor is any  
such court action or arbitration proceeding presently contemplated. There are  
no other persons who should be joined in this action at this time.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if  
any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to  
punishment.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Your signature) Plaintiff, *Pro Se*

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Your name printed)

Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date on which you sign this document)