
Name

Mailing Address

City, State Zip Code

Phone Number Email

- Respondent (without attorney/advocate)
- Attorney/Advocate for _____

IN THE TRIBAL COURT OF THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES
OF THE FLATHEAD RESERVATION, PABLO, MONTANA

<p>In re the Marriage of:</p> <p>Petitioner: _____</p> <p>and</p> <p>Respondent: _____</p>	<p>Cause No. _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (CHILDREN)</p>
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INSTRUCTIONS: The following corresponds with each numbered paragraph in the Petition. You have the option to either agree or deny each allegation in the Petition. You also have the option to challenge all or part of the information in each paragraph. If you disagree, please use the space in each section to explain your position.

If you need **more space** than is provided, attach additional pages and indicate the corresponding paragraph that goes with the attachment. **You must fill out the entire form.** If a section does not apply, put "N/A" (not applicable).

The Respondent respectfully responds to the *Petition for Dissolution of Marriage* as follows:

1. Paragraph 1.

- I agree with the information in paragraph 1 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 1 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

2. Grounds for Divorce

- I agree with the information in paragraph 2 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 2 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

3. Petitioner’s Information

- I agree with the information in paragraph 3 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 3 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

4. Respondent’s Information

- I agree with the information in paragraph 4 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 4 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

5. Marriage

- I agree with the information in paragraph 5 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 5 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

6. Separation

- I agree with the information in paragraph 6 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 6 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

7. Pregnancy

- I agree with the information in paragraph 7 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 7 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

8. Minor Child(ren)

- I agree with the information in paragraph 8 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 8 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

9. Residence History of Child(ren)

- I agree with the information in paragraph 9 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 9 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

10. Each party has a continuing duty to inform the Court of any proceeding in this or any other state/tribal court that could affect the current proceeding.

11. I understand that the Court may review any case involving the children, Petitioner, Respondent and other parties named in this Petition that have been filed in any Court.

12. Cases Involving Child(ren)

- I agree with the information in paragraph 12 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 12 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

13. Other Court Cases

- I agree with the information in paragraph 13 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 13 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

14. Other Interested People

- I agree with the information in paragraph 14 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 14 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

15. Parenting Plan

- I agree with the information in paragraph 15 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 15 of the Petition. It is in the best interest of our child(ren) that this court adopt my proposed parenting plan. I filed this document with my Response. **My proposed parenting plan includes parenting time, decision-making responsibilities, child support, and medical support.**

16. The Best Interest of the Children

- I agree with the information in paragraph 16 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information paragraph 16 of the Petition and explain my position below.

The **best interests of the child(ren)** would be served by adopting my proposed parenting plan for the following reasons:

17. Required Notice of Human Service Involvement

- I agree with the information in paragraph 17 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 17 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

18. Required Notice of Prior Protection/Restraining Orders

- I agree with the information in paragraph 18 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 18 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

19. Child Support

- I agree with the information in paragraph 19 of the Petition.
- I disagree with the information in paragraph 19 of the Petition and wish to challenge all or part of this information in the Petition. I allege that the correct information is as follows:

20. Sworn Financial Statement. Each party is required to file their own **Sworn Financial Statement [TCF 0021]** with the Court and provide true and complete information to the Court about their assets, debts, and income in their Sworn Financial Statement. You can be held in contempt for providing false information. In addition, your case can be reopened due to fraud. *See the Instructions for Petition of Dissolution of Marriage (Children) [TCF 0035]* for instructions and deadlines for submission.

I filed this document with the Petition.

21. Relief. I ask that the ask that the Court enter orders regarding the

- status of the marriage,
- best interests of the child(ren),
- maintenance (spousal support),
- child support,
- division of property and debts,
- attorney fees and costs, if appropriate,
- restoration of the previous name of a party,
- and any other necessary orders as follows:

_____.

22. Former Name. Respondent requests that the Court restore their **prior full name** to:

_____.

23. Additional Relief. I request that the Court:

- By checking this box, I am acknowledging I am filling in the blanks and **not** changing anything else on the form.
- By checking this box, I am acknowledging that I have made a change to the original content of this form.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this _____ day of _____, 20__ by:

Signature of: Respondent
 Attorney/Advocate for _____.

VERIFICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I, _____, swear/affirm under penalty of perjury that I have read the foregoing document and that the information provided set forth therein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date

Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me at _____, Montana on the ____ day of _____, _____.

(SEAL)

Clerk of Court, Notary Public or other person authorized to administer oath.

My commission expires: _____

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I, _____, do hereby certify that I mailed a true and accurate copy of the **RESPONSE** to the opposing parties on this ____ day of _____, 20____, at the addresses given below.

Signature