



SUPREME COURT FALKLAND ISLANDS

D8B

ANSWER TO A DIVORCE/DISSOLUTION/JUDICIAL SEPARATION OR NULLITY PETITION/ APPLICATION

Case Reference:	SC/CIV/	<i>Always quote this reference</i>
Date Issued:		

Notes to Respondents:

- This form should be completed if you wish to defend the divorce/dissolution/judicial separation or nullity petition/application issued by your spouse/civil partner. This could be because you do not agree that your marriage/civil partnership has irretrievably broken down, or you wish to defend allegations made against you by your spouse/civil partner.
- If you wish to apply for a divorce/dissolution/judicial separation or an annulment against your spouse or civil partner you should complete your own petition/application. This will be issued within the existing case, and the judge will determine the outcome. There are guidance notes within the D8 form to help you complete your petition/application for a divorce/dissolution/judicial separation or nullity. If you require any further assistance with this form please seek legal advice. There is a fee for this.
- If there is not enough room on the form, you may continue on a separate sheet. Please put the Petitioner's/Applicant's name, your name and the number of the Part to which the information relates, at the head of any continuation sheet.
- If completing this form by hand, please use BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS and tick the boxes that apply.

Notes to Co-Respondents:

- If you have been named in a divorce/judicial separation petition as a Co-Respondent and you wish to defend the petition, you should complete Parts 3-8 of this form.
- You should amend any references to "my spouse/civil partner" to "the Petitioner" and references to "Respondent" to "Co-Respondent".

I, *(Please state your current full name)*

Wish to defend the application made by my spouse civil partner

(Please state their current full name)

for divorce dissolution judicial separation nullity, which was issued at

(Please state name of the court)

under case number *(Please state the case number)*

PLEASE TREAT THIS AS MY ANSWER TO THE PETITION/APPLICATION

PART 1

In the case of divorce/dissolution only -

Do you agree that the marriage/civil partnership has irretrievably broken down?

YES **NO**

If no, please explain why:

PART 2

In the case of divorce/dissolution cases based on three years' separation only -

Do you oppose the granting of a decree/an order on the ground that the divorce/dissolution will result in grave financial or other hardship?

YES **NO**

If yes, please provide details:

PART 3 STATEMENT OF CASE

See the supporting notes for guidance

In all cases, please give details of your reasons for defending the petition/application or the allegations made against you

PART 4 ORDERS REQUESTED

For the reasons above I ask the court to dismiss the Petitioner's/Applicant's petition/application

Other

If Other, please specify any other order requested, apart from a costs order (see Part 5)

PART 5 COSTS

Please select the statement which applies:

I wish the court to order that my spouse/civil partner pay the costs of these proceedings

or

I do not wish to claim costs

PART 6 SPECIAL ASSISTANCE OR FACILITIES IF YOU ATTEND COURT

See the supporting notes for guidance

If you are required to attend court during these proceedings will you need any special assistance or facilities?

YES NO

If Yes, please provide details:

PART 7 SERVICE DETAILS

- I am not represented by a legal practitioner in these proceedings
- I am not represented by a legal practitioner in these proceedings but am receiving advice from a legal practitioner
- I am represented by a legal practitioner in these proceedings, who has signed Part 8, and all documents for my attention should be sent to my legal practitioner whose details are below.

My Legal Practitioner's details:

Name of Legal Practitioner:

Name of Firm:

Address for service (including postcode & telephone number)

PART 8 STATEMENT OF TRUTH:

This statement of truth must be completed by the person filling this answer form with the court (referred to as the Respondent), or by a legal practitioner acting for them.

[I believe]* [The Respondent believes]* that the facts stated in this application for a divorce/dissolution/judicial separation are true. **delete as applicable*

*[I am duly authorised by the Respondent to sign this statement]

Signed:

Dated:

(dd/mm/yyyy)

Respondent/Respondent's Legal Practitioner

Legal Practitioner's firm:

Proceedings for contempt of court may be brought against a person who makes or causes to be made a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth.