

IN THE GRAND COURT OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

FAMILY DIVISION

CAUSE NO. FAM 62 OF 2019

BETWEEN: RICHARD HYMAN

AND: SOPHIA NATASHA HYMAN



PETITION FOR THE DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

THE PETITION OF RICHARD HYMAN of 17 Pool Lane, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, for the dissolution of marriage SHOWS THAT:

1. On the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 2008 the Petitioner, Richard Hyman, was lawfully married to the above-named Respondent Sophia Natasha Hyman nee Snape in George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.
2. At the time of the said marriage, the marital status of each of the parties was as follows: -
  - a). the Petitioner was a bachelor;
  - b). the Respondent was a divorcée.
3. Following the celebration of the said marriage, the parties have lived and cohabited as husband and wife at the following places:
  - a). 89 Holly Dr. Prospect, George Town, Grand Cayman (approximately 3 months);
  - b). Moon Bay Condominiums, Bodden Town, Grand Cayman (approximately 2 years);
  - c). 285 Serenity Lane, North Side, Grand Cayman (approximately 5 years).
4. The Court has jurisdiction in this matter by reason of the fact that the Petitioner is ordinarily resident in the Cayman Islands and the Respondent is Caymanian and is domiciled in these Islands.
5. Since the celebration of the marriage, the parties initially led a reasonably happy life together. However due to the Respondent's unreasonable behaviour as set out below, the marriage has broken down irretrievably. The Respondent has behaved in such a way that the Petitioner cannot reasonably be expected to live with her.

**PARTICULARS OF UNREASONABLE BEHAVIOUR**

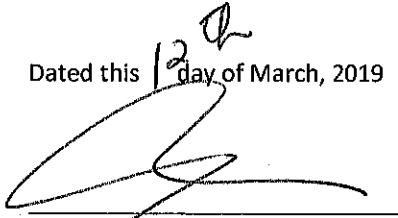
- a. The marriage between the Petitioner and the Respondent was initially, a happy one.
  - b. On or around 3 July 2015 the Respondent informed the Petitioner that she was no longer in love with him and on or around 7 July, 2015 she moved out of the matrimonial home situated at 285 Serenity Lane, North Side, Grand Cayman, (the "matrimonial home") which was at the time under phased construction. The Respondent returned to the matrimonial home for approximately 2 weeks in August, 2015 during the visit of her son, Dayshawn Hyman from school. During that time, the Petitioner and the Respondent had no conjugal relations.
  - c. The Petitioner remained in the matrimonial home until around September, 2015 when he was served with a notice with respect to the termination of permission for the supply of temporary electricity to the matrimonial home. In compliance with the said notice, the Petitioner vacated the matrimonial home upon receipt of the notice and within approximately 2 months of doing so, the Respondent and a man moved into the matrimonial home.
  - d. Since July 2015 (and save for the brief period in August 2015 as mentioned at (b) above), the Petitioner and the Respondent have lived separate and apart from each other.
  - e. The Respondent has behaved in such a way that the Petitioner cannot reasonably be expected to live with her.
  - f. As a result of the above the marriage between the Petitioner and the Respondent has irretrievably broken down and there is no prospect of reconciliation between the parties.
6. Save for the below-named adult children, there are no children of the marriage:
- i). Dayshawn Snape – born on 20 May, 1997;
  - ii). Romaine Hyman – born on 11 April, 1997.
7. The only matrimonial property is the matrimonial home situated at 285 Serenity Lane, North Side, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

8. There are no legal proceedings existing or continuing either inside or outside of the Cayman Islands in respect of the said marriage to the knowledge of the Petitioner.
9. There is no impediment to this Honourable Court granting a Decree of Dissolution of the said marriage known to the Petitioner.

AND THE PETITIONER THEREFORE PRAYS: -

- i). THAT the said marriage be dissolved.
- ii). THAT ancillary matters be adjourned to Chambers.
- ii). THAT each party pay for his/her costs.
- iii). THAT this Honourable Court make such further Orders as it deems appropriate.

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019



**ROSIE WHITTAKER-MYLES**  
**RWM Chambers**  
**Attorney-at-Law for the Petitioner**

The following person is to be served with this petition:

Mrs. Sophia Hyman nee Snape  
285 Serenity Lane,  
North Side  
Grand Cayman,  
Cayman Islands.

**AND TO: The Clerk of Court**

The Petitioner's address for service is:

c/o Rosie Whittaker-Myles  
RWM Chambers  
Attorney-at-Law  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Amerigo House,  
Elizabethan Square Building  
P.O. Box 2542,  
Grand Cayman, KY1-1104  
Cayman Islands.

**NOTE:**

Under Rule 11 of the Matrimonial Causes Rules, Notice of your intention to defend may be given by:-

- a). by an endorsement on the Acknowledgment of Service;
- b). by notice of such intention lodged in the Registry within 14 days of the date of service of this Petition; or
- c). at any time with leave of the court prior to the date fixed for hearing.



**CAYMAN ISLANDS  
CERTIFIED COPY of MARRIAGE REGISTER**

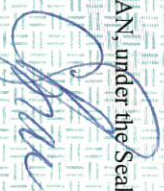
No.	When Married	Name and Surname	Condition	Calling	Age	District and Residence at the time of Marriage	Father's Name and Surname
358	07 June 2008	Richard Hyman	Never Married	Builder	34	89 Holly Dr. Prospect, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1602, Cayman Islands	Ivon Hyman
		Sophia Natasha Snape	Divorced	Administrator	33	89 Holly Dr. Prospect, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1602, Cayman Islands	Rayman Benjamin

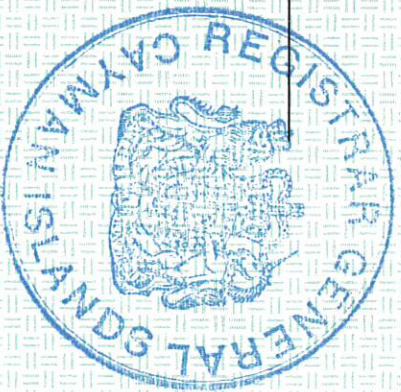
Married at Beach Club Hotel in the District of George Town by (or before) me,  
Oral McLaughlin, a Marriage Officer of the Cayman Islands.

This Marriage was celebrated between us Richard Hyman Carrie Beckford-Grant  
Sophia Natasha Snape in the presence of us James Moore

Certified to be a true Copy of the Entry No. 358 in the Register Book of Marriages solemnized by (or before)  
Oral McLaughlin, a Marriage Officer of the Cayman Islands.

Given at the GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE, GEORGE TOWN, GRAND CAYMAN, under the Seal of the said Office,  
this day 06 June 2016

  
for **REGISTRAR GENERAL**  
Cindy B. Diaz Garcia



Acknowledgement of Service

**DIRECTIONS FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SERVICE  
OF DIVORCE PETITION**

***IF YOU INTEND TO INSTRUCT AN ATTORNEY TO ACT FOR YOU, GIVE HIM THIS FORM IMMEDIATELY.***

1. The accompanying form of Acknowledgement of Service should be completed by an attorney acting on behalf of the Respondent or by the Respondent if acting in person.
2. After completion it must be signed by the Respondent and his attorney (if any) and must be delivered or sent by post to the Law Courts, P.O. Box 495 G.T., George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.
3. The Acknowledgement of Service must be filed at Court and served on the attorney for the Petitioner (or on the Petitioner, if acting in person) within fourteen days after service of the Petition.
4. A Respondent who states in his Acknowledgement of Service that he intends to contest the proceedings must also serve an Answer on the attorney for the Petitioner (or on the Petitioner, if acting in person) within fourteen days after service of the Petition.
5. The Petition will be treated as an "undefended petition" in respect of which a decree of divorce may be pronounced without the need for any hearing in open court unless an acknowledgement of service form in which you have stated an intention to defend has been filed at the Court office within fourteen days of service of the Petition.
6. In the case of Petitions served outside the Cayman Islands, the periods within which the Respondent must file an Acknowledgement of Service and any Answer are extended by fourteen days.

***Please complete overleaf***

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**RESPONDENT**

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If you intend to instruct an Attorney to act for you, give him/her this form IMMEDIATELY

- 1)    Have you received the Petition for divorce (and copy of supporting affidavit) delivered with this form?    Yes       No
  
- 2)    On what date did you receive it?
  
- 3)    Are you the person named as the Respondent in the Petition?  
  
 Yes       No
  
- 4)    Do you intend to defend the case?  
  
 Yes       No
  
- 5)    *(In the case of a Petition alleging two years separation coupled with the Respondent's consent to a decree being granted)* Do you consent to a decree being granted?  
  
 Yes       No

6) *(In the event that the Petition being proved on the basis of two years separation coupled with Respondent's consent or five years separation).* Do you intend to apply to the court for it to consider your financial position as it will be after the divorce?

Yes       No

7) *(In any case in which there are children of the family)* Even if you do not intend to defend the suit, do you object to the Petitioner's claim for custody and seek to make your own application for custody of the child?

Yes       No       Not applicable

Even if you do not object to the Petitioner's claim for custody, do you intend to make an application for access to the children?

Yes       No       Not applicable

Service of the Petition is acknowledged accordingly

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Respondent

\_\_\_\_\_

Respondent's Attorney-at-Law

**Notes on address for service**

*Attorney: where the Respondent is represented by an attorney, state the attorney's place of business in the Cayman Islands. A Respondent may not act by a foreign attorney.*

*Respondent in person: where the Respondent is acting in person, he must give his post office box number and the physical address of his residence or, if he does not reside in the Cayman Islands, he must give an address in Grand Cayman where communications for him should be sent.*

Indorsement by Petitioner's attorney (or by the Petitioner if suing in person) of his name, address and reference, if any, in the box below.

**RICHARD HYMAN**  
c/o **Rosie Whittaker-Myles**  
**Attorney-at-Law**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Amerigo House,

Indorsement by Respondent's Attorney (or by the Respondent if suing in person) of her name and address in the box below.