

Script for “Status Only” Judgment

1. Are you the Petitioner in this case?
2. Are all the statements made on your petition true and correct?
3. Were you a resident of the State of California for more than six months and the County of _____ for more than three months immediately before the date that you filed your petition?
4. Have irreconcilable differences arisen during your marriage leading to the breakdown of your marriage?
5. Can counseling assist you in saving the marriage? *[If the answer is “yes,” take the matter off calendar and refer the party to Family Court Services.]*
6. Is there a proof of service of the preliminary property disclosure on file?

*[Once these jurisdictional facts have been established, recite the **Order** as follows:]*

1. The Court grants a Judgment of Dissolution of Marriage based on a finding of irreconcilable differences of the parties.
2. The marital status of the parties is terminated on _____ *[date]*. The parties are returned to the status of single.
3. Does Ms. _____ wish to have her former maiden name restored? The Court hereby reinstates Petitioner’s/Respondent’s former name of _____.
4. The Court reserves jurisdiction over all other unresolved matters, including those set forth in Family Code section 2337.