

Circuit Court for _____ **Case No.** _____
City or County

Name					Name				
Street Address					Street Address				
City					City				
State					State				
Zip Code			Area Code		Zip Code			Area Code	
Phone					Phone				
<i>Plaintiff</i>					<i>Defendant</i>				

COMPLAINT FOR LIMITED DIVORCE

(DOM REL 21)

I, _____, representing myself, state that:

1. The Defendant and I were married on _____
My name
 in _____ in a civil/religious ceremony.
City/County/State where Married Month Day Year
(Circle One)

2. *Check all that apply:*
 I have lived in Maryland since: _____
Month/Year
 My spouse has lived in Maryland since: _____
Month/Year
 The grounds for divorce occurred in the State of Maryland.

3. *Check one:*
 We have no children together (skip paragraphs 5 and 6) or
 My spouse and I are the parents of the following child(ren):

Name	Date of Birth	Name	Date of Birth
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4. I know of the following related cases concerning the child(ren) or parties (such as domestic violence, paternity, divorce, custody, visitation, termination of parental rights, adoption or other cases):

<u>Court</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Kind of Case</u>	<u>Year Filed</u>	<u>Results or Status (if you know)</u>

5. I have been a party, witness, or otherwise involved in the following cases about custody or visitation of the child(ren):

<u>State</u>	<u>Court</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Date of Child Custody Determination</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Attach the most recent court order for the above-referenced court cases.

6. I know of the following people, not parties to this case, who have physical custody of, or claim rights of legal custody or physical custody of, or visitation with the child(ren):

_____	_____
Name	Current Address
_____	_____
Name	Current Address
_____	_____
Name	Current Address

7. The child(ren) are currently living with _____
Name

8. The child(ren) have lived in the following places, with the persons indicated during the last five years:

<u>Time Period</u>	<u>Place Lived</u>	<u>Name(s)/Current Address of Person(s) with whom Child</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

9. It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that I have (*check all that apply*):

joint / sole (*circle one*) physical custody of _____

Name of Children

joint / sole (*circle one*) legal custody of _____

Name of Children

visitation with _____

Name of Children

10. I am / am not (*circle one*) seeking alimony because _____

11. (You do not have to complete paragraph 11 if you are not asking the court to make decisions about your property.) My spouse and/or I have the following property (*check all that apply*)

Motor Vehicle(s)
Furniture

Bank account(s) and investment(s)
Family Use Personal Property
Other: _____

12. My grounds for limited divorce are: (*Check all that apply*)

- Cruelty/Excessively Vicious Conduct Against Me** - My spouse has persistently treated me cruelly and has engaged in excessively vicious conduct rendering continuation of the marital relationship impossible if I am to preserve my health, safety, and self-respect.
- Cruelty/ Excessively Vicious Conduct Against My Children** - My spouse has persistently treated my minor child(ren) cruelly and has engaged in excessively vicious conduct against them rendering continuation of the marital relationship impossible if I am to preserve my minor child(ren)'s health, safety, and self-respect.
- Actual Desertion** - On or about _____, my spouse, without just cause or reason, _____, my spouse, without just cause or reason, abandoned and deserted me, with the intention of ending our marriage. This abandonment has continued without interruption up to and including the time of filing of this complaint. Month/Day/Year
- Constructive Desertion** - I left my spouse because his/her cruel and vicious conduct made the continuation of our marriage impossible, if I were to preserve my health, safety, and self-respect. This conduct was the final and deliberate act of my spouse and our separation has continued without interruption up to and including the time of the filing of this complaint.
- Voluntary Separation** - From on or about _____, my spouse and I by mutual _____, my spouse and I by mutual and voluntary agreement have lived separate and apart from one another in separate residences, without interruption, without sexual intercourse, with the express purpose and intent of ending our marriage, and there is no reasonable expectation that we will reconcile. Month/Day/Year

FOR THESE REASONS, I request (check all that apply):

- A Limited Divorce.
- Sole/joint physical custody of the minor child(ren). Circle One
- Sole/joint legal custody of the minor child(ren). Circle One
- Visitation with the minor child(ren).
- Child support (attach Form DOM REL 30 or DOM REL 31).
- Health insurance for the child(ren).
- Health insurance for me.
- Use & possession of the family home for up to three years from the date of the limited divorce.
- Use & possession of the family use personal property for up to three years from the date of the limited divorce.
- Transfer of family use personal property.
- Alimony (attach Form Dom.Rel.31).
- Resolution of personal property issues.
- Any other appropriate relief.

I, _____ solemnly affirm under the penalties of
perjury, that the contents of this document are true to the best of my knowledge,
information and belief.

Your Name

_____ Date

_____ Signature