SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON
COUNTY OF

In re the Marriage of: Petitioner, and Respondent.	**NO.** PETITION FOR LEGAL SEPARATION **(PTLGSP)**

I. BASIS

1.1 IDENTIFICATION OF PETITIONER.

Name (first/last) , Birth date

Last known residence (county and state).

1.2 IDENTIFICATION OF RESPONDENT.

Name (first/last) , Birth date

Last known residence (county and state).

1.3 CHILDREN OF THE MARRIAGE DEPENDENT UPON EITHER OR BOTH SPOUSES.

Name (first/last) Age

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1.4 REQUEST FOR LEGAL SEPARATION.

This is a request for legal separation in lieu of a dissolution of marriage.

1.5 DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE.

The parties were married on _____ [Date] at _____ [Place].

1.6 SEPARATION.

[ ] Husband and wife are not separated.
[ ] Husband and wife separated on _____ [Date].

1.7 JURISDICTION.

This court has jurisdiction over the marriage.

[ ] This court has jurisdiction over the respondent because:
- [ ] the respondent is presently residing in Washington.
- [ ] the petitioner and respondent lived in Washington during their marriage and the petitioner continues to reside, or be a member of the armed forces stationed, in this state.
- [ ] the petitioner and respondent may have conceived a child while within Washington.
- [ ] other: _____

[ ] This court does not have jurisdiction over the respondent.

1.8 PROPERTY.

There is community or separate property owned by the parties. The court should make a fair and equitable division of all the property.

[ ] The division of property should be determined by the court at a later date.
[ ] The petitioner's recommendation for the division of property is set forth below.

- [ ] The petitioner should be awarded the parties' interest in the following property:

_____

[ ] The respondent should be awarded the parties' interest in the following property:

[ ] Other:

1.9 DEBTS AND LIABILITIES.

[ ] The parties have no debts and liabilities.

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[ ] The division of debts and liabilities should be determined by the court at a later date.

[ ] The petitioner's recommendation for the division of debts and liabilities is set forth below.

[ ] The petitioner should be ordered to pay the following debts and liabilities to the following creditors:

[ ] The respondent should be ordered to pay the following debts and liabilities to the following creditors:

[ ] Other:

1.10 SPOUSAL MAINTENANCE.

[ ] Spousal maintenance should not be ordered.
[ ] There is a need for spousal maintenance as follows:

[ ] Other:

1.11 CONTINUING RESTRAINING ORDER.

[ ] Does not apply.
[ ] A continuing restraining order should be entered which restrains or enjoins the respondent from assaulting, harassing, molesting or disturbing the peace of the petitioner.
[ ] A continuing restraining order should be entered which restrains or enjoins the respondent from going onto the grounds of or entering the home, work place or school of the petitioner or the day care or school of the following children: .
[ ] A continuing restraining order should be entered which restrains or enjoins the respondent from knowingly coming within or knowingly remaining within (distance) of the home, work place or school of the petitioner or the day care or school of these children: .

[ ] Other:

1.12 PREGNANCY.

[ ] The wife is not pregnant.
[ ] The wife is pregnant. The father of the unborn child is [ ] the husband [ ] not the husband [ ] unknown.

1.13 JURISDICTION OVER THE CHILDREN.

[ ] Does not apply because there are no dependent children.
[ ] This court has jurisdiction over the children for the reasons set forth below.

[ ] This court has exclusive continuing jurisdiction. The court has previously made a child custody, parenting plan, residential schedule or visitation determination in this matter and retains jurisdiction under RCW 26.27.211.

[ ] This state is the home state of the children because:

[ ] the children lived in Washington with a parent or a person acting as a parent for at least six consecutive months immediately preceding the commencement of this proceeding.
[ ] the children are less than six months old and have lived in Washington with a parent or a person acting as parent since birth.
[ ] any absences from Washington have been only temporary.
[ ] Washington was the home state of the children within six months before the commencement of this proceeding and the children are absent from the state but a parent or person acting as a parent continued to live in this state.

[ ] The children and the parents or the children and at least one parent or person acting as a parent, have significant connection with the state other than mere physical presence; and substantial evidence is available in this state concerning the children's care, protection, training and personal relationships; and

[ ] the children have no home state elsewhere.
[ ] the children's home state has declined to exercise jurisdiction on the ground that this state is the more appropriate forum under RCW 26.27.261 or .271.

[ ] All courts in the children's home state have declined to exercise jurisdiction on the ground that a court of this state is the more appropriate forum to determine the custody of the children under RCW 26.27.261 or .271.

[ ] No other state has jurisdiction.

[ ] This court has temporary emergency jurisdiction over this proceeding because the children are present in this state and the children have been abandoned or it is necessary in an emergency to protect the children because the children, or a sibling or parent of the children is subjected to or threatened with abuse. RCW 26.27.231.

[ ] Other:

1.14 CHILD SUPPORT AND PARENTING PLAN FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

[ ] The parties have no dependent children.
[ ] Support for the dependent children listed in paragraph 1.3, above, should be set pursuant to the Washington State Child Support Schedule.

Name of Child	Mother's Name	Father's Name

The petitioner's proposed parenting plan for these children:

[ ] is attached and is incorporated by reference as part of this Petition.
[ ] will be filed and served at a later date pursuant to RCW 26.09.181.

(The following information is required only for those children who are included in the petitioner's proposed parenting plan.)

During the last five years, the children have lived:

[ ] in no place other than the state of Washington and with no person other than the petitioner or the respondent.
[ ] in the following places with the following persons (list each place the children lived, including the state of Washington, the dates the children lived there and the names of the persons with whom the children lived. The present addresses of those persons must be listed in the Confidential Information Form):

Claims to custody or visitation.

[ ] The petitioner does not know of any person other than the respondent who has physical custody of, or claims to have custody or visitation rights to, the children.
[ ] The following persons have physical custody of, or claim to have custody or visitation rights to, the children (list their names and the children concerned

below and list their present addresses in the Confidential Information Form. Do not list the responding party):

Involvement in any other proceeding concerning the children.

[ ] The petitioner has not been involved in any other proceeding regarding the children.
[ ] The petitioner has been involved in the following proceedings regarding the children (list the court, the case number, and the date of the judgment or order):

Other legal proceedings concerning the children.

[ ] The petitioner does not know of any other legal proceedings concerning the children.
[ ] The petitioner knows of the following legal proceedings which concern the children (list the children concerned, the court, the case number and the kind of proceeding):

1.15 OTHER:

II. RELIEF REQUESTED

The petitioner REQUESTS the court to enter a decree of legal separation and to grant the relief below.

[ ] Provide reasonable maintenance for the [ ] husband [ ] wife.
[ ] Approve the petitioner's proposed parenting plan for the dependent children.

[ ] Determine support for the dependent children pursuant to the Washington State Child Support Schedule.
[ ] Approve the separation agreement.
[ ] Divide the property and liabilities.
[ ] Enter a continuing restraining order.
[ ] Order payment of day care expenses for the children.
[ ] Award the tax exemptions for the dependent children as follows:

[ ] Order payment of attorney's fees, other professional fees and costs.
[ ] Other:

Dated: _____

_____
Signature of Lawyer or Petitioner

Print or Type Name

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed at _____[City and State] on _____ [Date].

_____
Signature

Print or Type Name

[ ] JOINDER.

The respondent joins in the petition. By joining in the petition, the respondent agrees to the entry of a decree in accordance with the petition, without further notice.

Dated: _____

_____
Signature of Respondent

Print or Type Name