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**IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT,
IN AND FOR UTAH COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH**

In the matter of the marriage of

HANAH BENSON,

Petitioner,

and

JUSTIN BENSON,

Respondent.

DECREE OF DIVORCE

Case No.: 224401213

Hon. Judge: Kasey Wright

Commissioner: Marla Snow

This matter came before the Court for trial on the remaining issues after entry of the parties' Final Order Resolving Custody, Medical Expenses, Personal Property, Real Property, Mutual Restraining Orders, and Family Support on July 31, 2024, and the Bifurcated Decree of Divorce entered August 20, 2025, which terminated the parties' marital status.

The Court, having considered the evidence and having resolved all remaining issues, hereby ORDERS, ADJUDGES, and DECREES as follows:

1. The parties previously resolved a majority of the issues raised by stipulation, which resulted in a Final Order Resolving Custody, Medical Expenses, Personal Property,

Real Property, Mutual Restraining Orders, and Family Support, which entered on July, 31, 2024, and is incorporated herein by reference. *Dkt. at 325.*

2. The parties were granted a Bifurcated Decree of Divorce, which entered on August 20, 2025, which was limited to terminating the marital relationship. *Dkt. at 475.*

3. The remaining issues resolved in this decree include:

- a. Tax exemptions for the minor children;
- b. Childcare costs for the minor children;
- c. Vehicles, specifically, the Honda in Justin’s possession and the Toyota Highlander in my possession;
- d. Marital Debts;
- e. Retirement Accounts;
- f. Other financial accounts and assets, including, DAO, Cryptocurrency in Tera Luna, Palantir and Snowflake (previously “LeapYear”), Stock in Equityzen – Single Store, Caribou, Vanguard, and Gold; and
- g. Calculation of Child Support.

4. In addition to the remaining issues certified for trial, additional issues raised by each party in their Motions to Enforce were certified. Those were as follows:

a. *Petitioner’s Motion:*

- i. Education Costs;
- ii. Legal Decision-Making on Education; and
- iii. Family Support.

b. *Respondent’s Counter Motion:*

- i. Exchange of information regarding Petitioner's address; and
- ii. Legal Decision-Making on Education.

5. Tax Exemptions. The dependency tax exemptions for the minor children shall be as follows:

- a. Hanah shall have the right to claim the child tax exemptions for tax years 2022, 2023, and 2024.
- b. For tax year 2025 and beyond, each party shall be entitled to claim one child as a tax exemption, provided that party is current on his or her support obligations.
- c. If either party is not current on child support as of December 31 of any given year, the compliant party shall be entitled to claim both children for that tax year.
- d. When only one child remains eligible to be claimed as an exemption, the parties shall rotate the exemption, with Justin claiming the exemption in the first year in which only one child is available to be claimed.

6. Petitioner's Income. Hanah's gross monthly income is \$3,208.00.

7. Respondent's Income. Justin's income as follows:

- a. For the first six months of 2026, the Court sets Justin's income at \$7,500.00 per month.
- b. From July 1, 2026 forward, Justin's income shall be imputed at \$15,000.00 per month.

8. Child Support. Based upon the foregoing incomes and the applicable child support guidelines for a 50/50 joint custody parent-time schedule, the Court orders as follows:

a. For the first six months of 2026, Justin's child support obligation is \$370.00 per month.

b. From July 1, 2026 forward, Justin's child support obligation is \$795.00 per month.

9. Medical and Dental Expenses. The parties shall share the children's medical and dental costs, including premiums, pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 81-6-208.

10. Back Child Support. Justin was previously ordered to pay child support of \$500.00 per month beginning in August 2022. Justin owes delinquent child support from August 2022 through November 2024 totaling \$14,000.00.

11. Justin shall pay Hanah \$14,000.00 in back child support.

12. Acton Academy Tuition. The children attended Acton Academy for sixteen months at \$767.00 per month per child, for a total tuition obligation of \$24,544.00 for both children.

13. Justin shall reimburse Hanah his one-half share of this obligation, which is \$12,272.00.

14. Marital Home Rental Proceeds Credit. From September 2022 through January 2023, Hanah retained the rental proceeds from the marital home for her exclusive use because she was not receiving family support as ordered and could not meet the children's needs or her own.

15. She retained \$1,700.00 per month for five months, totaling \$8,500.00. Justin is entitled to a credit for one-half of the \$8,500.00 in rental proceeds Hanah received, which is \$4,250.00.

16. This \$4,250.00 credit is reflected as a separate offset in the Summary of Obligations below; after applying the credit against Justin's Acton Academy tuition obligation, Justin's net Acton Academy tuition obligation is \$8,022.00.

17. Vehicles. Both parties have the use of a vehicle. Hanah uses a 2016 Toyota Highlander, and Justin uses a Honda that belongs to his mother.

18. No evidence was presented that the Honda is owned by the parties, and it is therefore not subject to division.

19. Hanah is awarded the 2016 Toyota Highlander.

20. The Court sets the value of the Highlander at \$12,290.00.

21. As the Highlander is a marital asset, Justin is entitled to one-half of its value, which is \$6,145.00. Hanah therefore owes Justin \$6,145.00.

22. Gold Bars. Justin owned two gold bars prior to the marriage, and the gold bars are Justin's separate property. The Court rules that these gold bars shall be used as an offset to secure payment of the obligations Justin owes to Hanah under this Decree.

23. The Court orders as follows:

- a. Hanah shall have the gold bars valued by a certified appraiser no later than June 5, 2026, and the cost of the appraisal shall be shared equally by the parties.
- b. Hanah may retain possession of the gold bars until Justin has paid her every obligation owed under this Order.

c. Once Justin has paid Hanah in full, Hanah shall return the gold bars to Justin within fourteen (14) days of his request.

d. If Justin has not paid all of his obligations under this Order by December 31, 2026, Hanah may retain the gold bars as a penalty, and not as an offset.

24. Attorney's Fees. The Court awards attorney's fees as set forth below. Except where attorney's fees are specifically awarded in this Order, no attorney's fees are awarded, and each party shall bear his or her own attorney's fees.

a. Statement of Discovery Issues dated December 12, 2022 (Dkt. 80): The Court issued its order on this Statement of Discovery Issues on January 11, 2023 (Dkt. 106), requiring Justin to provide numerous documents and reserving the issue of attorney's fees. Hanah substantially prevailed and awards Hanah her reasonable attorney's fees related to that Statement of Discovery Issues in the amount of \$4,920.64 as set forth in the Declaration of Attorney's Fees submitted by Jason White, Petitioner's prior counsel.

b. Motion to Enforce Order on Statement of Discovery Issues dated March 13, 2023 (Dkt. 125): The Court did not reserve attorney's fees on this motion and therefore awards no attorney's fees related to it, which are included in the amount set forth in subparagraph (a) above.

c. Objection to Respondent's Pretrial Disclosures dated November 17, 2025 (Dkt. 497): The Court continued the trial because of Justin's untimely pretrial disclosures, and awards Hanah her reasonable attorney's fees incurred relating to

her objection in the amount of \$6,552.50 as established by the Declaration of Attorney's Fees in file.

d. Petitioner's Motion in Limine to Exclude Respondent's Untimely Trial Exhibits and for Sanctions Under Rule 37 dated February 10, 2026 (Dkt. 524):

The Court's order of November 19, 2025 made clear that there would be sanctions for disclosure violations, and the Court awards Hanah her reasonable attorney's fees related to her Motion in Limine and her request for Rule 37 sanctions.

25. The total award of attorneys' fees to Hanah is \$11,473.14, which Justin should be responsible to pay the full amount by July 31, 2026.

26. Marital Home. The parties are ordered to comply with the Final Order Resolving Real Property and to cooperate through counsel to select a real estate agent and sell the marital home located at 134 South Main Street, Laurie, Utah. The Court orders as follows:

a. The parties shall list the home for sale forthwith with a mutually agreed-upon real estate agent and shall follow the agent's advice and recommendations in setting the listing price, considering offers, and making adjustments to the listing price.

b. Until the home sells, the rental income and the mortgage payment shall continue to be handled as they have been during the parties' separation, so long as rent is being paid.

c. Upon sale, the proceeds shall be applied in the following order:

i. First, to pay the expenses of sale;

ii. Second, to pay the outstanding mortgage balance and any outstanding property taxes and any liens by utilities or improvement districts; and

iii. Third, the remaining net proceeds shall be divided equally between the parties.

iv. This provision modifies the \$5,000.00-per-party provision of the prior order, and the net proceeds shall instead be divided equally.

d. Any debt specifically assigned to either party under this Order that is attached to the property — including the family loans and related liens for which Justin is responsible and any attorney’s fee liens — shall not be paid from the sale proceeds prior to division. Only the mortgage and the expenses identified above shall be satisfied from the proceeds before the equal division of net proceeds.

e. If the home sells at a loss with the exclusion of the liens in subparagraph “d” above, the loss shall be divided equally between the parties.

f. Beginning in May 2026, each party shall be entitled to receive one-half of the \$753.00 monthly difference between the mortgage payment and the rental income, reduced by whatever amount the parties mutually agree to pay Justin’s mother, or a third party, to manage the home until it is sold.

g. Any expense necessary for the upkeep of the home while it is rented — for example, the repair or replacement of an appliance — shall be shared equally by the parties.

h. The Court does not set a deadline for the sale of the home but directs the parties to cooperate fully and to act promptly to sell the home.

27. Marital Debts. The Court orders allocation of the parties' debts as follows:

a. Any debt not specifically assigned to Hanah in this Order shall be the sole responsibility of Justin.

b. Justin is solely responsible for the claimed loans from his brother, Tyler Benson, and from his parents, Dale and Karen Benson.

c. Unreturned funds: Justin testified that Hanah transferred approximately \$80,000.00 out of an account to her sole account, that \$50,000.00 of that amount was transferred back, and that the remaining \$30,000.00 was not returned.

d. Hanah did not provide an adequate explanation for the remaining \$30,000.00.

e. Hanah therefore owes Justin one-half of that amount, which is \$15,000.00.

f. Claimed Tyler Benson loan (approximately \$109,000.00): Justin is solely responsible for the full amount, including any interest associated therewith.

g. Hanah's student loan (approximately \$12,000.00): Hanah is solely responsible.

h. Thompson Plumbing (\$1,087.00): Justin is solely responsible.

i. SoFi loan (approximately \$100,000.00 to \$150,000.00, with a monthly payment of \$1,654.00): Justin is solely responsible.

j. Bank of America credit card: Justin is solely responsible.

k. Wells Fargo credit card: Justin is solely responsible.

- l. Chase Amazon credit card: Justin is solely responsible.
- m. Debt to David Bloom (\$1,705.00): Justin is solely responsible.
- n. Debt to Mary Corporan (at least \$2,074.00): Justin is solely responsible.
- o. Any debt to John Bergen: Justin is solely responsible.
- p. Any debt to Palantir: Justin is solely responsible.

28. Retirement Accounts. Justin received and liquidated retirement accounts from SingleStore.

29. The gross payment was \$31,923.00, and Justin received \$25,538.53 after taxes.

30. Justin testified that he believed two-thirds of these funds were earned prior to the marriage and were therefore his separate property, but he failed to provide documentation or an accounting of the funds.

31. Hanah argued she is entitled to \$10,538.53 of these funds.

32. Because Justin had the responsibility and the ability to provide documentation and an accounting of these funds and failed to do so, the Court accepts Hanah's request and awards Hanah \$10,538.53 of these funds.

33. Financial Accounts and Investments. The Court orders the allocation of the parties' remaining financial accounts and investments as follows:

- a. DAO: a defunct entity whose assets were liquidated pre-separation; there is nothing to divide.
- b. Terra Luna: the assets were liquidated pre-separation; there is nothing to divide.

- c. Palantir (Morgan Stanley account): the 1,860 shares shall be divided equally between the parties.
- d. Snowflake/LeapYear: the 9,800 shares shall be divided equally between the parties.
- e. SingleStore/MSSQL stock: the 42,091 shares shall be divided equally between the parties.
- f. Caribou/Vanguard: the number of shares is unknown; whatever shares exist shall be divided equally between the parties.
- g. No later than July 7, 2026, Justin shall provide a full and complete accounting of the Snowflake/LeapYear stock, the SingleStore stock, and the Caribou/Vanguard stock.
- h. Justin shall make Hanah's portion of the Palantir stock, or the funds therefrom, available to her no later than July 31, 2026.

34. Palantir Stock and the Bergen Litigation. The Court is aware that the Palantir stock is the subject of a restraining order entered in Idaho post-trial in connection with the Bergen debt, which presently appears to restrict division of that stock.

35. The Court orders that Justin shall either deliver to Hanah her one-half share of the Palantir stock or pay her the value of that share by July 31, 2026.

- a. If the stock is locked up because of the litigation, Justin shall pay Hanah the value of her share.
- b. The value of the share shall be determined as of the date of trial, which was \$135.38 per share. Hanah's share is 930 shares or \$125,903.40.

c. The Bergen debt remains Justin's sole responsibility.

36. Exchange of Information Regarding Petitioner's Address. Hanah shall comply with the Court's orders shall provide Justin with her new address each time she moves, no later than twenty-four (24) hours after moving.

37. If Hanah fails to do so in the future, she may be subject to financial and other sanctions.

38. No attorney's fees are awarded to either party on this motion to enforce.

39. Legal Decision-Making on Education. Th Hanah does not have the ability to pay for private school, and she shall not be sanctioned for enrolling the children in public school without Justin's consent.

40. Hanah is again cautioned that she must comply strictly with the Court's orders relating to the children.

41. If the parties cannot agree on where the children will attend school and who will pay for school, the children shall attend the public school within the boundaries of Hanah's residence.

42. Emmanuel Lutheran Tuition. Justin testified that he paid tuition at Emmanuel Lutheran of \$590.00 per month from August 2025 through February 2026.

43. Hanah owes Justin \$2,065.00 for her portion of the Emmanuel Lutheran tuition.

44. Summary of Obligations. Consistent with the foregoing findings and orders, the monetary obligations between the parties are summarized as follows:

a. Justin owes Hanah:

i. Back child support — \$14,000.00;

- ii. Acton Academy tuition — \$12,272.00;
 - iii. SingleStore retirement — \$10,538.53;
 - iv. Hanah's reasonable attorney's fees for the discovery issues awarded above, in an amount to be established by affidavit; and
 - v. Hanah's portion of the Palantir stocks identified in paragraph 35 above.
- b. Hanah owes Justin:
- i. Rental proceeds credit — \$4,250.00;
 - ii. Toyota Highlander, one-half value — \$6,145.00;
 - iii. One-half of \$30,000.00, which is \$15,000.00; and
 - iv. Emmanuel Lutheran tuition — \$2,065.00.
- c. Netting the foregoing monetary obligations — exclusive of attorney's fees and the division of stocks — Justin shall pay Hanah a net amount of \$9,350.53.
- d. Justin shall pay Hanah the net amount of \$9,350.53, which reflects all amounts set forth in subparagraphs (a) and (b) above, together with Hanah's awarded attorney's fees for the discovery issues in the amount of \$11,473.14, in full no later than July 31, 2026.
- e. Justin shall make Hanah's portion of the Palantir stocks available to her as set forth above in paragraph 35.
- f. Hanah shall retain the gold bars until Justin has fully complied with his financial obligations and stock transfers under this Order. If Justin is not fully

compliant by December 31, 2026, Hanah may retain the gold bars as a sanction,
and not as an offset.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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**NOTICE PURSUANT TO RULE 7(j) OF THE UTAH RULES OF CIVIL
PROCEDURE**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Rule 7(j) of the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure of the District Courts of the State of Utah that this Order shall be the Order of the court unless you file an objection in writing within seven (7) days from the date of the service of this notice.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via email on June 10, 2026 to the following:

Kristofer Snow
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DATED this 28th day of July, 2026.

/s/Courtney Cooper

Courtney Cooper