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IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF SALT LAKE COUNTY, SALT LAKE DEPARTMENT STATE OF UTAH	
In the Matter of the Marriage of Jessica Smurthwaite Petitioner, and Jacob McCowan, Respondent.	DECREE OF DIVORCE Civil No. 264903599 DA Judge Joel Ferre Commissioner Renee Blocher

The above-entitled matter came before the Honorable Judge Ferre. Petitioner, Jessica Smurthwaite, (herein after referred to as “Jessica” or “Petitioner”) was represented by Kent R. Cottam, LEGAL AID SOCIETY OF SALT LAKE. Respondent, Jacob McCowan (herein after referred to as “Jacob” or “Respondent”) was regularly served and signed an acceptance of service, appearance, waiver, and consent to default, filed with the Court on July 22, 2026. The

Court therefore enters Jacob's default. The Court, having found and entered its Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and being otherwise fully advised, it is hereby,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED

1. Jessica is hereby awarded a Decree of Divorce from Jacob, such to become final upon signature and entry herein.

Provisions Relating to Jurisdiction

2. Both Jessica and Jacob are bona fide residents of Salt Lake County, State of Utah, and have been for three months immediately prior to the filing of this action.

3. The parties resided in the marital relationship in the State of Utah, or the acts complained of by Jessica were committed by Jacob in the State of Utah and therefore this Court has long-arm jurisdiction over Jacob pursuant to Utah Code §78B-3-205.

4. Jessica and Jacob were married on November in Thompson Falls, MT, on or about November 10, 2022, and are presently married. The parties separated on or about November 2025.

Provisions Relating to Grounds

5. During the course of the marriage the parties have experienced difficulties that cannot be reconciled that have prevented the parties from pursuing a viable marriage relationship.

Provisions Relating to the Children of the Parties

6. There have been no children born as issue of this marriage and none are expected.

Provisions Relating to Debts and Obligations

7. Each party shall assume and pay the following debts:

Jessica	Jacob
\$315.38 Credit Card	

a. All remaining debts and obligations should be the responsibility of the party who incurred the particular debt.

b. Pursuant to Utah Code § 81-4-406(3)(b) the parties shall notify respective creditors or obligees, regarding the division of debts, obligations, or liabilities herein and the parties' separate, current addresses.

Provisions Relating to Personal Property

8. During the course of the marriage relationship, the parties acquired certain items of personal property. The parties shall be awarded said property as they have heretofore divided it.

Provisions Relating to Real Property

9. The parties acquired no real property during the course of this marriage, nor do they presently own an interest in real property.

Provisions Relating to Alimony

10. Neither party shall be awarded alimony.

Provisions Relating to Pension and Related Assets

11. Jacob has pension and/or profit-sharing plans or other retirement benefits through Jacob's place of employment. Jessica shall be awarded one-half of all benefits accrued pursuant to such plans during the period of the parties' marriage from the date of marriage until the date of the entry of the Decree of Divorce herein.

Miscellaneous Provisions

Restraining Order

12. Jacob shall be permanently restrained from bothering, harassing, annoying, threatening, or harming Jessica at Jessica's place of residence, employment or any other place.

Taxes

13. In the event Jessica and Jacob file a joint income tax return for the year **2026**, any income tax refund received for said year shall be divided equally between the parties.

Name Change

14. Jessica shall be restored the use of her former name, **JESSICA L SMURTHWAITE** if she so desires.

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In accordance with the Utah Courts' electronic filing system, this Order does not bear the analog signature of the Judge, but instead displays the electronic signature of the Court. It is located on the first page, in the upper right-hand corner.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 10th day of August 2026, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing DECREE OF DIVORCE to be served [] via the court's electronic filing system, [x] by mail postage prepaid, [] via hand-delivery, [] via facsimile, [] via e-mail, as addressed, to:

Jacob McCowan
5081 W Parr Drive
West Jordan, Utah 84081

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	/s/ <i>Angelica Morales</i>
	Angelica Morales, Paralegal to Kent Cottam, Attorney for Petitioner