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NOTICE TO PRO SE DIVORCE LITIGANTS

You are about to file a petition for divorce pro se; that is, representing yourself without benefit of an attorney's training and experience. The procedure for obtaining a divorce is not a simple matter. The law requires certain steps to be followed, certain papers to be filed, and certain evidence to be presented in order to authorize a court to grant a divorce. Therefore, although you may have a right to represent yourself, we strongly urge you to consult with an attorney in this matter.

If you represent yourself, you alone are responsible for knowing and following the correct procedures. If you fail to follow the correct procedures, your case may be dismissed by the court. In the event, the fees you paid to file the papers will be lost. The Office of the Clerk of Superior Court is an administrative office charged with the duties of receiving and filing papers required to be filed with the court, recording judgments, and maintaining indices. No member of this office is qualified or licensed to practice law. State law forbids any person other than a duly licensed attorney at law to render legal services or advise. Therefore, no one in this office will be able to answer any questions you may have regarding the correct procedures to follow. If you are uncertain of the procedures to follow, you should not file your papers until you have resolved any uncertainties.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I will be happy to address any questions or suggestions you may have.

Sincerely,

Cindy G. Brown
Clerk of Court