**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA FAMILY LAW RULES OF PROCEDURE**

**FORM 12.902(b)**

**FAMILY LAW FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT (SHORT FORM)**

**(10/21)**

**When should this form be used?**

This form should be used when you are involved in a family law case which requires a **financial affidavit** **and your individual gross income is UNDER $50,000 per year** unless:

1. You are filing a simplified dissolution of marriage under rule 12.105 and both parties have waived the filing of a financial affidavit;
2. You have no minor children, no support issues, and have filed a written settlement agreement disposing of all financial issues; or
3. The court lacks jurisdiction to determine any financial issues.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. You should **file** this document with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where the **petition** was filed and keep a copy for your records.

**What should I do next?**

A copy of this form must be filed with the court and served on the other party or his or her attorney in your case within 45 days of being served with the petition, if it is not served on him or her with your initial papers. The copy you are serving to the other party must be either mailed, e-mailed, or hand-delivered to the opposing party or his or her attorney on the same day indicated on the certificate of service. If it is mailed, it must be postmarked on the date indicated in the certificate of service. **Service** must be in accordance with Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.516.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING E-FILING**

The Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration now require that all petitions, pleadings, and documents be filed electronically except in certain circumstances. **Self-represented litigants may file petitions or other pleadings or documents electronically; however, they are not required to do so.** If you choose to file your pleadings or other documents electronically, you must do so in accordance with Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.525, and you must follow the procedures of the judicial circuit in which you file. The rules and procedures should be carefully read and followed.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING E-SERVICE ELECTION**

After the initial service of process of the petition or supplemental petition by the Sheriff or certified process server, the Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration now require that all documents required or permitted to be served on the other party must be served by electronic mail (e-mail) except in certain circumstances. **You must strictly comply with the format requirements set forth in the Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration**. If you elect to participate in

electronic service, which means serving or receiving pleadings by electronic mail (e-mail), or through the Florida Courts E-Filing Portal, you must review Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.516. You may find this rule at www.flcourts.org through the link to the Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration provided under either Family Law Forms: Getting Started, or Rules of Court in the A-Z Topical Index.

**SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS MAY SERVE DOCUMENTS BY E-MAIL; HOWEVER, THEY ARE NOT REQUIRED TO DO SO.** If a self-represented litigant elects to serve and receive documents by email, the procedures must always be followed once the initial election is made.

To serve and receive documents by e-mail, you must designate your e-mail addresses by using the Designation of Current Mailing and E-mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915, and you must provide your e-mail address on each form on which your signature appears. Please **CAREFULLY** read the rules and instructions for: **Certificate of Service (General), Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.914; Designation of Current Mailing and E-mail Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915; and Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.516.

**Where can I look for more information?**

**Before proceeding, you should read “General Information for Self-Represented Litigants” found at the beginning of these forms.** The words that are in **“bold underline”** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see Florida Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.285.

**Special notes . . .**

If you want to keep your address confidential because you have been found by a judge to be the victim of sexual battery, aggravated child abuse, aggravated stalking, harassment, aggravated battery, or domestic violence, do not enter the address, telephone, and fax information at the bottom of this form. Instead, file **Request for Confidential Filing of Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(h).

The affidavit must be completed using **monthly** income and expense amounts. If you are paid or your bills are due on a schedule which is not monthly, you must convert those amounts. Hints are provided below for making these conversions.

**Hourly** - If you are paid by the hour, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Hourly amount x Hours worked per week **=** Weekly amount

Weekly amount x 52 Weeks per year **=** Yearly amount

Yearly amount ÷12 Months per year **=** **Monthly Amount**

**Daily** - If you are paid by the day, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Daily amount x Days worked per week **=** Weekly amount

Weekly amount x 52 Weeks per year **=** Yearly amount

Yearly amount **÷** 12 Months per year **= Monthly Amount**

**Weekly** - If you are paid by the week, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Weekly amount x 52 Weeks per year **=** Yearly amount

Yearly amount **÷** 12 Months per year **= Monthly Amount**

**Bi-weekly** - If you are paid every two weeks, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Bi-weekly amount x 26 **=** Yearly amount

Yearly amount **÷** 12 Months per year **=** **Monthly Amount**

**Semi-monthly** - If you are paid twice per month, you may convert your income to monthly as follows:

Semi-monthly amount x2 **= Monthly Amount**

Expenses may be converted in the same manner.

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,

IN AND FOR COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.:

Division:

,

Petitioner,

and

,

Respondent.

**FAMILY LAW FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT (SHORT FORM)**

(Under $50,000 Individual Gross Annual Income)

I, *{full legal name}* , being sworn, certify that the following information is true:

My Occupation: Employed by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Pay rate: $ (    ) every week (    ) every other week (    ) twice a month (    ) monthly   
(    ) other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Check here if unemployed and explain on a separate sheet your efforts to find employment.

**SECTION I. PRESENT MONTHLY GROSS INCOME:**

**All amounts must be MONTHLY.** See the instructions with this form to figure out money amounts for anything that is NOT paid monthly. Attach more paper, if needed. Items included under “other” should be listed separately with separate dollar amounts.

1. $\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly gross salary or wages
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly bonuses, commissions, allowances, overtime, tips, and similar payments
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly business income from sources such as self-employment, partnerships, close corporations, and/or independent contracts (gross receipts minus ordinary and necessary expenses required to produce income) (Attach sheet itemizing such income and expenses.)
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly disability benefits/SSI
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Workers’ Compensation
6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Unemployment Compensation
7. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly pension, retirement, or annuity payments
8. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Social Security benefits
9. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly alimony actually received (Add 9a and 9b)

9a. From this case: $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9b. From other case(s): $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly interest and dividends
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly rental income (gross receipts minus ordinary and necessary expenses required to produce income) (Attach sheet itemizing such income and expense items.)
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly income from royalties, trusts, or estates
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly reimbursed expenses and in-kind payments to the extent that they reduce personal living expenses
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly gains derived from dealing in property (not including nonrecurring gains)
6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Any other income of a recurring nature (list source) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. **$** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL PRESENT MONTHLY GROSS INCOME** (Add lines 1–16)

**PRESENT MONTHLY DEDUCTIONS:**

1. $\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly federal, state, and local income tax (corrected for filing status and allowable dependents and income tax liabilities)
   1. Filing Status \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. Number of dependents claimed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly FICA or self-employment taxes
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Medicare payments
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly mandatory union dues
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly mandatory retirement payments
6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly health insurance payments (including dental insurance), excluding portion paid for any minor children of this relationship
7. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly court-ordered child support actually paid for children from another relationship
8. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly court-ordered alimony actually paid (Add 25a and 25b)

25a. from this case: $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

25b. from other case(s): $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **$**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL DEDUCTIONS ALLOWABLE UNDER SECTION 61.30, FLORIDA STATUTES**

(Add lines 18 through 25)

1. **$**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **PRESENT NET MONTHLY INCOME** (Subtract line 26 from line 17)

**SECTION II. AVERAGE MONTHLY EXPENSES**

**Proposed/Estimated Expenses.** If this is a dissolution of marriage case **and** your expenses as listed below do not reflect what you actually pay currently, you should write “estimate” next to each amount that is estimated.

1. **HOUSEHOLD:**

Mortgage or rent $ \_

Property taxes $ \_

Utilities $ \_

Telephone $ \_

Food $ \_

Meals outside home $ \_ Maintenance/Repairs $ \_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_

1. **AUTOMOBILE**

Gasoline $ \_ Repairs $ \_ Insurance $ \_

1. **CHILD(REN)’S EXPENSES**

Day care $ \_

Lunch money $ \_ Clothing $ \_

Grooming $ \_ Gifts for holidays $ \_

Medical/Dental (uninsured) $ \_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_

1. **INSURANCE**

Medical/Dental (if not listed on

lines 23 or 45) $ \_

Child(ren)’s medical/dental $ \_

Life $ \_

Other: $ \_

**E. OTHER EXPENSES NOT LISTED ABOVE**

Clothing $ \_ Medical/Dental (uninsured) $ \_ Grooming $ \_ Entertainment $ \_

Gifts $ \_ Religious organizations $ \_ Miscellaneous $ \_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_

**F. PAYMENTS TO CREDITORS**

CREDITOR: MONTHLY PAYMENT

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_ \_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_

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\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ $ \_

1. **$**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES** (add **ALL** monthly amounts in A through F above)

**SUMMARY**

1. **$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **TOTAL PRESENT MONTHLY NET INCOME** (from line 27 of SECTION I. INCOME)
2. **$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES** (from line 28 above)
3. **$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **SURPLUS** (If line 29 is more than line 30, subtract line 30 from line 29. This is the amount of your surplus. Enter that amount here.)
4. **($\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) (DEFICIT)** (If line 30 is more than line 29, subtract line 29 from line 30. This is the amount of your deficit. Enter that amount here.)

**SECTION III. ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**Use the nonmarital column only if this is a petition for dissolution of marriage and you believe an item is “nonmarital,” meaning it belongs to only one of you and should not be divided.** You should indicate to whom you believe the item(s) or debt belongs. (Typically, you will only use this column if property/debt was owned/owed by one spouse before the marriage. See the **“General Information for Self-Represented Litigants”** found at the beginning of these forms and section 61.075(1), Florida Statutes, for definitions of “marital” and “nonmarital” assets and liabilities.)

* 1. **ASSETS:**

| **DESCRIPTION OF ITEM(S). List a description of each separate item owned by you (and/or your spouse, if this is a petition for dissolution of marriage). LIST ONLY LAST 4 DIGITS OF ACCOUNT NUMBERS. Check the line next to any asset(s) which you are requesting the judge award to you.** | | **Current Fair Market Value** | **Nonmarital**  **(check correct column)** | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Petitioner | Respondent |
|  | Cash (on hand) | $ |  |  |
|  | Cash (in banks or credit unions) |  |  |  |
|  | Stocks, Bonds, Notes |  |  |  |
|  | Real estate: (Home) |  |  |  |
|  | (Other) |  |  |  |
|  | Automobiles |  |  |  |
|  | Other personal property |  |  |  |
|  | Retirement plans (Profit Sharing, Pension, IRA, 401(k)s, etc.) |  |  |  |
|  | Other |  |  |  |
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|  | \_\_\_\_Check here if additional pages are attached. |  |  |  |
| **Total Assets** (add next column) | | **$** |  |  |

* 1. **LIABILITIES:**

| **DESCRIPTION OF ITEM(S). List a description of each separate debt owed by you (and/or your spouse, if this is a petition for dissolution of marriage). LIST ONLY LAST 4 DIGITS OF ACCOUNT NUMBERS. Check the line next to any debt(s) for which you believe you should be responsible.** | | **Current Amount Owed** | **Nonmarital**  **(check correct column)** | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Petitioner | Respondent |
|  | Mortgages on real estate: First mortgage on home | $ |  |  |
|  | Second mortgage on home |  |  |  |
|  | Other mortgages |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Auto loans |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Charge/credit card accounts |  |  |  |
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|  | Other |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \_\_\_\_Check here if additional pages are attached. |  |  |  |
| **Total Debts** (add next column) | | **$** |  |  |

* 1. **CONTINGENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES:**

INSTRUCTIONS: If you have any **POSSIBLE** **assets** (income potential, accrued vacation or sick leave, bonus, inheritance, etc.) or **POSSIBLE liabilities** (possible lawsuits, future unpaid taxes, contingent tax liabilities, debts assumed by another), you must list them here.

| **Contingent Assets**  **Check the line next to any contingent asset(s) which you are requesting the judge award to you.** | | **Possible Value** | **Nonmarital**  **(check correct column)** | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Petitioner | Respondent |
|  |  | $ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total Contingent Assets** | | **$** |  |  |

| **Contingent Liabilities**  **Check the line next to any contingent debt(s) for which you believe you should be responsible.** | | **Possible Amount Owed** | **Nonmarital**  **(check correct column)** | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Petitioner | Respondent |
|  |  | $ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total Contingent Liabilities** | | **$** |  |  |

**SECTION IV. CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES WORKSHEET**

(Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(e), Child Support Guidelines Worksheet, MUST be filed with the court at or prior to a hearing to establish or modify child support. This requirement cannot be waived by the parties.)

[Check **one** only]

\_\_\_\_ **A Child Support Guidelines Worksheet IS or WILL BE filed in this case.** This case involves the establishment or modification of child support.

\_\_\_\_ **A Child Support Guidelines Worksheet IS NOT being filed in this case.** The establishment or modification of child support is not an issue in this case.

I certify that a copy of this document was [**check all used**]: ( ) e-mailed (     ) mailed (     ) faxed

(     ) hand delivered to the person(s) listed below on *{date}* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Other party or his/her attorney:**

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Telephone Number:

Fax Number:

E-mail Address(es):

**Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read this document and the facts stated in it are true.**

Dated:

Signature of Party

Printed Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Telephone Number:

Fax Number: E-mail Address(es):

**IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:**

[fill in **all** blanks] This form was prepared for the: *{choose only* ***one****}* ( ) Petitioner ( ) Respondent

This form was completed with the assistance of:

*{name of individual}* ,

*{name of business}*  ,

*{address}*  ,

*{city}* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, *{state} \_\_\_\_*, *{zip code}* \_\_\_\_\_\_, *{telephone number}*  *.*