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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YAVAPAI

In re the Marriage of:) Case No.: DO 998-0497

WENDY HEALD WALKER) **DIVORCE DECREE**

Petitioner,

And

JONATHAN FITZALAN WALKER,

Respondent.

This matter having been taken under advisement, the Court finds:

1. This Court has jurisdiction of the parties and the subject matter.
2. The marriage presently existing between the parties is irretrievably broken without reasonable prospect of reconciliation.
3. There are two minor children common to the parties, Anthony, 14, and Mathew 12.
4. The parties cannot agree as to the custody, visitation, and support of their minor children.
5. The parties have reached a property settlement agreement regarding all assets and liabilities, and the party's agreement constitutes a fair and equitable division of assets and liabilities.
6. Petitioner is seeking joint legal custody of the children with residential custody vested in Petitioner; Respondent is seeking sole custody with visitation in Petitioner.

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1 7. Since birth, Petitioner has been the primary caregiver for the children; the
2 children have resided with Petitioner since Respondent left the marital residence in
3 December 1998, and Respondent has not had the children for overnight visitation since
4 December 1998.

5 8. The children have lived in their current residence since 1991 and are well
6 adjusted to their school and community.

7 9. The children have frequent unscheduled visitation with Father at Father's
8 tennis club.

9 10. Both parties have completed the Parent Education program.

10 11. Each of the children has special educational needs, which are being
11 monitored and addressed by Mother and the school.

12 12. The parties have failed to agree on a parenting plan or any elements of a
13 joint custody arrangement.

14 13. Father desires to "mentor his boys into adulthood".

15 14. Father is self-employed, has several advanced degrees, and has high
16 income earning ability.

17 15. Father does not maintain a telephone in his residence.

18 16. The children have telephone and e-mail access with father at his office.

19 17. The parties are unable to communicate effectively, and cannot make joint
20 decisions regarding the children's education and medical needs.

21 18. It is in the children's best interest to maintain their current residential
22 placement with Mother subject to frequent scheduled visitation with the Father, such
23 visitation to be not less than as provided by the Yavapai County Domestic Relations
24 Guidelines.

25 19. The Court adopts as its findings the income and expense data set forth in
the parents worksheet for child support amount submitted by Petitioner, however finds

1 Respondent is entitled to a reduction in his child support obligation equal to the medical
2 premiums paid.

3 NOW THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED:

4 1. The marriage previously existing between the parties is dissolved; each is
5 restored to the status of single persons.

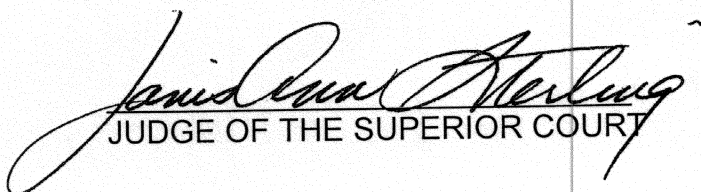
6 2. The parties' agreement as to the division of property and debts is approved,
7 confirmed and deemed to be not unfair.

8 3. Custody of the minor children is vested in Petitioner subject to Respondent's
9 rights of visitation; such rights of visitation shall be not less than as provided by the
10 Yavapai County Domestic Relations Guidelines for short distance parenting.

11 4. Respondent shall obtain and maintain medical insurance on the minor
12 children; any uncovered medical expenses shall be paid for by the parties in the same
13 proportion as their child support obligation.

14 5. Petitioner is restored to her former name of Heald.

15 DONE IN OPEN COURT this 12 day of June, 2000.

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