**In the Financial Remedies Court**

**Gatekeeping and Allocation Certificate**

**This Certificate is not compulsory, but will assist the Court to allocate the case to the appropriate court. The Applicant is invited to consult the Respondent about the responses provided.**

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| **The marriage of** | |  | **1. Outline background** | |
| [Applicant] | |  | a. Date of Marriage | [Date] |
| **and** |  |  |  |  |
| [Respondent] | |  | b. Date of Separation | [Date] |

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| d. The Petition / Answer [delete as appropriate] was issued on | | | | | | [Date] |
| at Divorce Centre | | |  | |  | |
| and given **case number** | |  |  | | |  |
| [Case Number] | |  |  | | |  |
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| e. The Decree Nisi was pronounced on | | | | [Date] | |  |
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| f. The Decree Absolute was granted on | | | | [Date] | |  |
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| [Name] | | Solicitor for the Applicant/Applicant | | | | |
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| [Name] | | Solicitor for the Respondent/Respondent | | | | |

**If you are representing yourself, do you intend instructing a solicitor (delete as appropriate; Yes/No**

**I/We certify that this application should be allocated to the Complexity List of the Financial Remedies Court because it is a case of such complexity that is appropriately dealt with in a Complexity List for the reasons stated overleaf.**

**Or**

**I/We certify that this application should be allocated to a standard list.**

**The appropriate Hearing Centre for this case is (tick as appropriate);**

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| Birmingham |  |
| Coventry |  |
| Wolverhampton |  |
| Telford |  |
| Dudley |  |
| Walsall |  |
| Stafford |  |
| Stoke |  |
| Hereford |  |
| Worcester |  |

**Explanation of Complexity Issues**

*Delete/complete as appropriate*

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| 1. **The assets in this case are currently estimated to be in the order of:** |

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|  | 1. Unable to quantify |  | |  | |
|  | b. Under £1 million |  | |  | |
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|  | c. £1 - £5 million |  | |  | |
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|  | d. £5 - £10 million |  | |  | |
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|  | e. Over £10 million |  | |  | |
| If the assets are in categories a., b. or c., please identify reasons as below why the case should be heard as a complex case and is not appropriate for hearing at a local hearing centre.  £  Of the above value, what is the net value of the family home (that is the value after deduction of the sum owing on any mortgage)? | | | | | |
| |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1. **Potential allegations/issues which may arise include: [please tick those which apply]** | | | | |  | | | | | 1 | Pre- or post-nuptial agreements |  | | | | | | 2 | Complex asset or income structures |  |  | | | | 3 | Assets are / were held through the medium of trusts / settlements/ family/ unquoted corporate entities or otherwise held offshore or overseas |  | |  | | | | | 4 | The value of family assets, trust and/or corporate entities |  | |  | | | | | 5 | Non-disclosure of assets |  | |  | | | | | 6 | Expert accountancy evidence will be required |  | |  | | | | | 7 | There are substantial arguments concerning the illiquidity of assets |  | |  | | | | | 8 | There may be substantial arguments about which assets are “matrimonial assets” or “non-matrimonial assets” |  | |  | | | | | 9 | There may be substantial arguments about the parties’ respective contributions |  | |  | | | | | 10 | There are/may be disputed allegations of “obvious and gross” conduct |  | |  | | | | | 11 | The case involves an application under Schedule 1 Children Act 1989 |  | |  | | | | | 12 | The application involves a complex or novel legal argument |  | |  | | | | | 13 | There is likely to be a need for the involvement of Intervenors |  | |  | | | | | 14 | The case involves an insolvency issue |  | |  | | | |   **B. Any other reason why the case has the appropriate degree of complexity** | | | | | |
|  | Yes | |  | |  |
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| **C. In respect of all Answers ‘Yes’ to A(1)-(14) or B please give brief details** | | | | | |
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