

Pro Se Acknowledgement

Cause Number: _____

I have received, read and understand all of the Pro Se Hearing Guidelines. I agree to abide by these guidelines and understand that my failure to do so may result in adverse action against me, that I may be asked to leave the Courtroom, or that I may not receive the relief I am seeking.

If the opposing party will sign a **Waiver of Citation**, it is only valid if the notarized signature is dated at least one (1) day after the date the **Original Petition for Divorce** is filed.

If I am filing for a divorce or for a change in custody, and my spouse and I care for minor-age children, I will take the required class, **“Helping Children Cope with Divorce”**, before asking the court to enter a final Order or Decree. I understand that my divorce will not be granted without presenting the certificate of completion.

I understand that I may hire an attorney to represent me or, if I meet certain requirements, I may be entitled to free counsel. By choosing to voluntarily represent myself, I am now proceeding Pro Se. I will receive no special favors, assistance, or advice from the Judge, judicial staff, or clerks as they cannot and do not represent either party in the litigation. I will be expected to comply with all relevant rules of procedural, evidentiary, and substantive law. I understand that the filing and service fees are not refundable under any circumstance.

Signature of Pro Se Litigant

Date