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| STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  COUNTY OF INSERT NAME OF COUNTY | IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE  DISTRICT COURT DIVISION  FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  [INSERT FILE # IN BLANK ABOVE ] |
| INSERT PLAINTIFF’S NAME HERE,  Plaintiff,  v.  INSERT DEFENDANT’S NAME HERE,  Defendant. | **ANSWER** |

Plaintiff, complaining of Defendant, alleges as follows:

1. ADMIT. Either admit or deny all allegations contained in Plaintiff’s Complaint.
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9. ADMIT.

DEFENDANT’S FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

RESUMPITON OF MAIDEN NAME

1. Pursuant to N.C.G.S §50-12, Defendant request to resume her maiden name, [INSERT YOUR MAINDED NAME HERE].

**WHEREFORE**, Defendant respectfully requests that the Court:

1. Dissolve the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between Plaintiff and Defendant and grant Plaintiff’s absolute divorce;
2. Tax the costs of this action against Plaintiff;
3. Grant Defendant her request to resume her maiden name to [INSERT YOUR MAIDEN NAME HERE]; and
4. Grant such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

This is the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_. (HAND WRITE IN THE DATE HERE WHEN THE ANSWER IS FILED)

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TYPE DEFENDANT’S NAME HERE AND DEFENDANT SHALL SIGN ABOVE

TYPE DEFENDANT’S ADDRESS HERE

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that on this day, the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2020 the undersigned has served this Answer in the above entitled action upon all parties to this cause in the following manner: By depositing a copy thereof in United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

INSERT PLAINTIFF’S NAME

INSERT PLAINTIFF’S ADDRESS

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INSERT DEFENDANT’S NAME HERE & SIGN INSERT DEFENDANT’S ADDRESS HERE