IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY, IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION, HOLDEN AT COURT NO. 7 APO, ABUJA.

BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP: HON, JUSTICE O. A. MUSA.

PETITION NO: FCT/HC/PET/414/2018

BETWEEN: MRS. IKWUMMA JENNIFER EDET PETITIONER AND

MR. MICHAELO EDET RESPONDENT

CONSENT JUDGMENT DELIVERED ON 24TH MARCH, 2022

The Petitioner via a Notice of Petition dated and filed 26th day of October, 2018 seeking the following reliefs:-

- i. A decree of the Dissolution of the marriage between the Petitioner and the Respondent on the ground that the marriage has broken down irretrievably being that the Respondent has behaved in such a way that the Petitioner cannot reasonably be expected to live with the Respondent.
- ii. An order that the Petitioner should continue to have custody of the child of the marriage with reasonable right of access to the Respondent at previously agreed times and places or as may be determined by the Honourable court.

- iii. An order that the Respondent pays the sum of N50, 000.00 per month on the child of the marriage as maintenance and upkeep allowance.
- iv. An order that the Respondent shall be responsible for the payment of the school fees and medical bills of the child.
- v. And for such further or other order(s) reliefs as the Honourable Court may deem fit in the circumstances.

On the 24th day of March, 2022, the Petitioner's counsel informed the court that parties have settled and have filed their terms of settlement which is before the court. He also stated that the Petitioner has filed a Motion bringing the said terms of settlement to the awareness of this court, being a court of record. He moved in terms and urged the court to grant same.

In view of the terms of settlement separately filed alongside the Motion on Notice paper which has just been moved, having agreed with the terms and the affidavit in support of same, the motion so moved and the order sought as stated on the face of the motion paper is allowed and granted as prayed.

Having studies the term of settlement filed, I shall adopt same as the judgment of this court and I hereby enter same as follows:-

- a. That the Petitioner shall continue to have custody of the child (Miss Unwanna Michael Edet) of the marriage with reasonable right of access to the Respondent as previously agreed times and places.
- b. That the Respondent shall pay Unwanna's school fees into her account as described below:
- c. That the Respondent shall also pay the sum of N20, 000.00 as maintenance/upkeep and medical allowance every month into the designated account details provided as paragraphs "b".
- d. That the Respondent shall enroll Unwanna into his National Health Insurance Scheme's (NHIS) account.

The parties are bound by the terms of settlement reached. none of the parties have the right to opted out of the terms of settlement; which has been adopted in court today the 24th March, 2022. I so hold.

In view of the fact that both the Petitioner and the Respondent have agreed in the open court not to contest the Petition and that the court should go ahead to dissolve the marriage between them, hence the marriage has broken down irretrievably for the reasons set out in the Petition paper filed in court;

I hereby order the dissolution of marriage between the Petitioner Ikwumma Jennifer Edet and the Respondent Michael Edet whose both address are both Behind Medical Centre Jikoyi Phrase 1, Abuja FCT and the Nigeria Police Force, Insurance Department Force Headquarters, Luis Edet House, Area 11, Garki Abuja respectively.

I hereby pronounce the dissolution of marriage between the Petitioner Ikumma Jennifer Edet and Micheal Edet which marriage took place at Abuja Municipal Area Council (AMAC) Marriage Registry on the 11th day of June, 2011 under the Marriage Act.

As from today, the 24th day of March, 2022, the parties have seized to be husband and wife. Both have the right to go or live alone without any hindrance or molestation from either of the parties. I so hold.

APPEARANCE:

Hammed Ogunbiyi, Esq. for the Petitioner
The Respondent is not in court.

Sign Hon. Judge 24/03/2022