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G.Z.,

Plaintiff,

v.

L.Z.,

Defendant.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION: FAMILY PART
MIDDLESEX COUNTY
DOCKET NO.

CIVIL ACTION

DUAL FINAL JUDGMENT OF DIVORCE

THIS MATTER, having been brought before the Court on January 29, 2010, in the presence of Donald D. Vanarelli, Esq., attorney for plaintiff, G.Z., and A.E., Esq., attorney for defendant, L.Z., upon Complaint and Counterclaim for Divorce; and the Court having heard and considered the pleadings and proofs, and the testimony of the parties on this date; and the Court having considered the factors set forth in N.J.S.A. 2A:34-23 and N.J.S.A. 2A:34-23.1, and having found as follows: that the parties were married to each other on ; that there were no children born of the marriage; that the parties have been living separate and apart since November 2008; that the plaintiff was permanently disabled at the time that the parties entered into the marriage and remained permanently disabled throughout the course of the marriage; that the defendant was the primary income producer for the household for the duration of the marriage and paid all household bills; that during

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the marriage the defendant earned approximately _____ per year in wages and the plaintiff received approximately _____ per year in Supplemental Security Income benefits; that both parties brought very few assets to the marriage, and that very few assets were acquired during the course of the marriage aside from gifts made to the defendant from her father for her use and benefit, which gifts include

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that the plaintiff resided in the principal residence only for approximately one (1) year; and that , based upon his permanent disability, the parties stipulated that any award of alimony and equitable distribution made in favor of plaintiff shall be made to a self-settled special needs trust established for the plaintiff's benefit in order to maintain eligibility for needs-based government benefits;

And the Court having received testimony from the parties and having been informed that, based upon the facts set forth above, the Middlesex County Early Settlement Panel, comprised of experienced family law practitioners, met with the parties and counsel, and after having thoroughly reviewed the circumstances of both the plaintiff and the defendant, made recommendations regarding an appropriate alimony award and the equitable distribution of the marital property, which have been adopted by the parties in total and set forth in the Marital Settlement Agreement. In that regard, the Panel recommended that plaintiff receive a lump sum alimony award of \$20,000.00, which represents limited duration allmony of \$10,000.00 per year for three

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(3) years, less income taxes and reduced to present value. The Panel also recommended that the plaintiff receive twenty-five percent (25%) of the value of the principal residence via lump sum payment of \$75,000.00, and that the other gifts to the defendant from her father were exempt from equitable distribution. In summary, the Panel recommended that plaintiff receive a lump sum payment of \$95,000.00 in satisfaction of the defendant's financial obligations, and that such payment be made to the trustee of a self-settled special needs trust due to plaintiff's disability.

And the Court having heard the testimony of the parties, and questioned them to assure their understanding and consideration of the terms of the proposed Marital Settlement Agreement, and both the plaintiff and the defendant confirming that they believe the proposed Marital Settlement Agreement is fair and equitable;

And the parties having pleaded and proven a cause of action for divorce under N.J.S.A. 2A:34-2(l), and the plaintiff has been a *bona fide* resident of this State for more than one year next preceding the commencement of this action, and jurisdiction having been acquired over the parties pursuant to the rules governing the Courts;

Thereupon, it is on this 29th day of January, 2010, by the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, by virtue of the power and authority of this Court and of the acts of the legislature in such case made and provided, does hereby ORDER and ADJUDGE, that the said plaintiff, G.Z., and the said defendant, T.Z., be divorced from the bond of matrimony for the causes of aforesaid, and the said parties, each of them, be freed and discharged from the obligations thereof, and the marriage between the parties is hereby dissolved; and

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It is further ORDERED and ADJUDGED that the recommendation of Middlesex County Early Settlement Panel that plaintiff receive a lump sum payment of \$95,000.00 made to the trustee of a self-settled special needs trust upon termination of the marriage which was incorporated into the parties' Marital Settlement Agreement dated January 29, 2010, and marked J1 in evidence, annexed hereto, is hereby found to be fair and reasonable in accordance with the factors set forth in N.J.S.A. 2A:34-23 and N.J.S.A. 2A:34-23.1, and entered into for the mutual support and benefit of both parties freely, voluntarily, and without threat or undue influence, is hereby made a part of the Dual Final Judgment of Divorce and shall not merge with, but shall survive, this Dual Final Judgment of Divorce, and the parties are hereby directed to comply with the terms of said Agreement.

It is further ORDERED and ADJUDGED that the defendant shall be permitted to resume the use of her maiden name of " L.G. ". The defendant's date of birth is . She social security number is XXX-XX- XXXX

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J.S.C.

Hon. John Jorgensen, J.S.C.

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