



*General Form of Joint Application*  
In the District Court of Hong Kong held at

No. of  
Matter

THE JOINT APPLICATION

of  
and

1st applicant  
2nd applicant

shows that—

(1) On the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_  
the applicants, [*state the name of the 1st applicant*] and [*state the name of the 2nd applicant*] were lawfully married to each other at .

(2) [*state the name of the appropriate applicant or both of them if appropriate*] is [are] domiciled in Hong Kong [*or as the case may be*]; [*state the name of the 1st applicant*] is a [*state occupation*] and resides at , and [*state the name of the 2nd applicant*] is a [*state occupation*] and resides at .

(3) The applicants have lived apart for a continuous period of at least 1 year immediately preceding the making of the application [*and/or Not less than 1 year prior to the making of the application a notice under section 11B(3) of the Ordinance, signed by each of the applicants, was given to the court and the notice was not subsequently withdrawn*].

(4) There is [are] [no [*or state number*]] children of the family now living] [namely [*state the name of each child and his date of birth or, if it be the case, that he is over 18 and, in the case of each minor child over the age of 16, whether he is receiving instruction at an educational establishment or undergoing training for a trade, profession or vocation*]].

(5) No other child now living has been born to the wife applicant during the marriage [except [*state the name of any such child and his date of birth, or if it be the case, that he is over 18*]].

(6) [*Where appropriate in the case of a child who is under 18*] The said \_\_\_\_\_ was, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_, received into the care of [*or is a child with respect to whom a resolution was, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_, passed by*] the Social Welfare Department.

(7) There have been no previous proceedings in any court in Hong Kong or elsewhere with reference to the marriage [*or to any children of the family*] [except [*state the nature of the proceedings, the date and effect of any decree or order and, in the case of proceedings with reference to the marriage, whether there has been any resumption of cohabitation since the making of the decree or order*]].

(8) The following [*or No*] agreement or arrangement has been made or is proposed to be made between the parties for the support of [*state the name of the relevant applicant*] [and the said children] [namely [*state details*]].

(9) The said marriage has broken down irretrievably.

The applicants therefore pray—

(a) That the said marriage may be dissolved.

(b) That [*state the name of the relevant applicant*] may be granted the custody of [*state name[s] of the child[ren]*] and add any application for a declaration under section 19(3) of the Matrimonial Proceedings and Property Ordinance].

(c) *[Where appropriate]* That the costs of this application shall be borne by the applicants equally.

(d) That *[state the name of the relevant applicant]* may be granted the following ancillary relief, namely *[state particulars of any application for ancillary relief which it is intended to claim]*.

The applicants' addresses for service are as follows—

*[state in respect of each applicant] [Where the applicant applies by a solicitor, state the solicitor's name or firm and address, or, where the applicant applies in person, state either of the place of residence as given in paragraph (2) of the application or, if no place of residence in Hong Kong is given, the address of a place in Hong Kong at or to which documents for the applicant may be delivered or sent].*

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_ .

Signed  
1st Applicant

Signed  
2nd Applicant

[Signed  
Solicitor for the 1st Applicant]

[Signed  
Solicitor for the 2nd Applicant]

*(L.N. 172 of 1996)*