

RULE 57.1 INTERROGATORIES TO PARTIES IN DOMESTIC CASES

(1) Availability; Procedures for Use. The provisions of this rule shall apply in domestic relations cases, including dissolution of marriage, legal separation, motions to modify and declaration of paternity cases, except as they conflict herein.

(2) Form. Each interrogatory by either the petitioner or respondent to the other shall be in the following form: (a) the question shall be first stated, (b) followed by the verified answer to the question by the person asking the question if the question were asked of them, and (c) a space provided for the verified answer of the person of whom the question is being asked. All questions shall be prepared in such a form as to make them gender neutral and party neutral.

(3) Extension of time. Requests for extension of time to answer interrogatories shall be first made to the other party or their attorney. If there is no objection to the request for additional time, a copy of the extension shall not be filed in the court file unless an order is requested under Supreme Court rule 61.01(b) with respect to any objection to or subsequent failure to answer an interrogatory.

(4) Objections. Objections to interrogatories shall be filed and noticed for hearing within thirty days of the filing of the interrogatory or certificate of service; otherwise, any objections shall be deemed waived.

[Authority: Supreme Court Order dated February 14, 1994 pursuant to Administrative Rule 6.04.]

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