# Superior Court of California County of Orange

# Information re Revocation of Summary Dissolution Self Help Information/Procedural Guidelines\*

If you have changed your mind and no longer wish to be divorced OR want to file a different type of request for divorce, legal separation or nullity, you must notice the court by filing a *Notice of Revocation of Petition For Summary Dissolution* form before a Judgment is filed and/or the date for termination of the marriage has passed.

#### What is the Notice of Revocation form for?

This is the form you need if you want to stop the divorce. This is called revoking the agreement–cancelling or stopping it.

# DO NOT FILL IT OUT, AND DO NOT FILE IT WITH THE COURT UNLESS YOU WANT TO STOP THE DIVORCE!!!

### What reasons are there for revoking?

Reasons you might have for wanting to stop the Summary Dissolution:

- 1) you have decided to return to your spouse and continue the marriage;
- 2) you may want to change over to the **Regular Dissolution** as a better way of getting your divorce; or
- 3) one of the parties discovers she is pregnant.

# Why might you want to change over to the Regular Dissolution?

You may come to believe that you will get a better settlement if you go to court than the agreement you originally made with your spouse. (Maybe, after thinking it over, you feel you aren't receiving a fair share of the community property.)

#### How do you do it?

- 1) Fill out form FL-830, **Notice of Revocation of Summary Dissolution Petition**. THIS FORM DOES **NOT** NEED THE OTHER PARTY'S SIGNATURE.
- 2) Make three copies and sign them
- 3) Include 2 stamped envelopes, addressed **EXACTLY** as on the form.
- 4) Submit these items to the Clerk's office for filing.

If you do this at any time during the six-month waiting period, you will automatically stop the divorce proceeding.

#### What happens to the part of the waiting period that was used up?

You can apply the amount of time you waited on the Summary Dissolution to a regular dissolution. For example, if four months went by before you decided to revoke the Summary Dissolution, the waiting period for the regular dissolution will be shortened by four months. However, you can save this time **only** if you file for a regular dissolution within 90 days of revoking the Summary Dissolution.

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