

MARRIAGE HISTORY

On a separate sheet of paper, please write a history of your marriage and of your children. It will help us as we prepare your case. The history does not have to be of any specific length. The more details you provide us with, such as each contribution you have made to the marriage, the better equipped we will be to assist you. If possible, please type your history (double-spaced). The topics that should be covered include the following:

- A description of your life up until the time you met your spouse (include data on parents, siblings).
- The time you and your spouse were dating up until the time of the marriage.
- Gifts or inheritances from either of your families to you or your spouse, specifying which person received the money or property and how it was used.
- Schools attended by you and your spouse after marriage and whether or not you contributed to your spouse's education or your spouse contributed to your education.
- Contributions of you as a homemaker or to the career enhancement of your spouse.
- A description, in chronological order, of significant (successful or tragic) events in your marriage.
- How your standard of living has improved or declined since the marriage.
- Specific major illnesses or operations, and other health problems (identifying the names and addresses of physicians for any current problems).
- A description of how child-raising has been shared (or not shared) between you and your spouse.
- A description of why your marriage relationship has broken down to such an extent that the marriage can not be preserved.
- Disparaging conduct committed by your spouse against you or you against your spouse.
- Positive or Negative qualities about you and your spouse (think about what your spouse would say about you).
- Waste and dissipation of marital assets by you or your spouse.
- Describe, in detail, counseling, psychological or psychiatric treatment that you or your spouse has received or any of your children have received.
- Your short-term and long-term goals; your spouse's short-term and long-term goals.