

Petitioner or Respondent: Name: Address: City, State & Zip: Telephone:	Space below for use of Court Clerk only
_____, Petitioner,  and  _____, Respondent.	Case Number:

**SPOUSAL SUPPORT QUESTIONNAIRE**  
 (Complete if requesting a permanent spousal support order)

I, (*insert name*) \_\_\_\_\_, the [ ] petitioner or [ ] respondent, request spousal support commencing (*date*) \_\_\_\_\_, in an amount **TO BE DETERMINED** by the court based upon the following facts:

**EARNING CAPACITY/MARITAL STANDARD OF LIVING**

I have the following job skills:

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Job market for those skills:

I am currently employed with (*employer's name*) \_\_\_\_\_, and have been since (*date*) \_\_\_\_\_. My position there is as a (*position title*) \_\_\_\_\_, earning \$\_\_\_\_\_ per hour/week/month.

I am currently unemployed. I am making the following attempts to seek employment:

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I have been unable to find employment that utilizes my marketable job skills for the following reasons *(describe the possible need for retraining or education to get more marketable skills or employment, the time and expense to get education/training to develop skills, and if your earning ability was impaired by periods of unemployment during the marriage devoted to domestic duties)*:

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**CONTRIBUTIONS TO SUPPORTING SPOUSE**

During the marriage I contributed to the education, training, career, or license of my spouse or partner as follows:

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**ABILITY TO PAY/EARNING CAPACITY**

The other party has the ability to pay spousal support because *(describe his or her current employment and earning capacity, all other sources of income other than employment, and current standard of living)*:

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**NEEDS OF EACH PARTY/MARTIAL STANDARD OF LIVING**

During the marriage I was able to do the following, which I am currently unable to do without an order for spousal support *(describe whether you were able to buy property, vehicles, or other assets; if you took vacations, had club memberships, etc.; and, if you were able to build a savings or incurred debt)*:

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**OBLIGATIONS AND ASSETS**

I currently have the following assets and obligations:

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The other party has the following assets and obligations:

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**DURATION OF MARRIAGE**

We were married on \_\_\_\_\_, and separated on \_\_\_\_\_,  
which is \_\_\_\_\_ year(s) and \_\_\_\_\_ month(s) of marriage.

**GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT/INTERESTS OF CHILDREN**

My ability to work  will  will not unduly interfere with the interests of the dependent child(ren) in my custody because:

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**AGE AND HEALTH**

I am \_\_\_\_\_ years old, and my health is as follows:

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The other party is \_\_\_\_\_ years old, and  his  her health is as follows:

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**HISTORY OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

There  is  is not a history of domestic violence between me and the other party which has been documented by the following (*describe any restraining orders, arrests, convictions and any emotional distress and consequences of such violence against you by the other party*):

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**TAX CONSEQUENCES**

I understand that any award of spousal support to me will be tax deductible to the other party and will be taxable to me.

**BALANCE OF HARDSHIPS**

I understand that the court will be considering the status of both parties based upon the information contained herein.

**GOAL OF BECOMING SELF-SUPPORTING**

I understand that it is the goal of the State of California that a supported party will be self-supporting within a "reasonable period of time" and except in a marriage of long duration (10 years or more, or as determined by the court), a "reasonable period of time" to be self-supporting may be one-half the length of the marriage (calculated from the date of marriage to the date of separation), or determined by the court.

**JUST AND EQUITABLE**

In considering this request, I ask the court to consider the following additional factors (*describe any other factors you would like the court to know in making its order*):

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DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Signature)

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