

SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
FAMILY DIVISION  
DOMESTIC RELATIONS BRANCH

KIMBERLY LA PIERRE,

*Plaintiff,*

v.

BLAKE LA PIERRE,

*Defendant.*

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Case No. 2018 DRB 000472

**ORDER DISMISSING COMPLAINT FOR LEGAL SEPARATION**

This matter came before the Court on April 30, 2018 for a hearing on Plaintiff Kimberly La Pierre's Complaint for Legal Separation and Other Relief. Ms. La Pierre appeared and was represented by counsel. Defendant Blake La Pierre appeared without counsel.

During the hearing, Plaintiff, through counsel, represented that she wished to withdraw her complaint for legal separation. Defendant objected to the withdrawal on the ground that he has filed a counterclaim seeking, among other things, that Plaintiff's counsel be investigated for allegedly making false statements in the course of this case. When asked by the Court what relief he would seek on his counterclaim if Plaintiff's complaint were withdrawn, Defendant reiterated that he wanted to address his allegations against Plaintiff's attorneys. He also indicated a desire to pursue claims that this Court had handled the case improperly at the initial hearing and that the undersigned judge was required to recuse herself.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> On April 26, 2018, Defendant filed a document stating that "Judge Becker . . . is ORDERED to disqualify" from this case based on alleged bias toward Plaintiff's counsel. The Court informed Defendant at the hearing that it did not perceive any basis for recusal and did not intend to do so.