



HM Courts &  
Tribunals Service



**Sitting in the Family Court**

**10 July 2019**

**Case number: LV88D85000**

**Applicant**

John Smith

**Respondent**

Jane Doe

**Refusal order**

Following a review of your case the Assistants Justices Clerk having considered the evidence filed is not satisfied that you are entitled to a decree of divorce.

You need to provide the following information or documents before the court can make a decision on your application for divorce.

**What you need to provide**

**Jurisdiction details**

The court has judged that your application does not fall within the jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

You must have at least one of the following legal connections for your divorce to fall within the jurisdiction of a court in England and Wales:

- My wife and I are both habitually resident in England or Wales
- My wife and I were last habitually resident in England or Wales and I still live there
- My wife is habitually resident in England or Wales
- I'm habitually resident in England or Wales and have lived here for at least a year
- I'm domiciled and habitually resident in England or Wales and have lived here for at least six months
- My wife and I are both domiciled in England or Wales
- I believe the courts of England and Wales have jurisdiction on a residual basis

**Your original marriage certificate**

The image of the marriage certificate you shared does not appear to be a scanned copy of the full original.

Please provide a digital photo or scan of the original, or the paper document in the post.

The image must be of the whole document and include the serial / system number and must be readable by court staff.

### **A translation of your marriage certificate**

The marriage certificate must be translated and certified by one of the following methods:

1. Statement of truth  
The translator of the marriage certificate provides a statement of truth certifying the translation. There are translation services online which include certification as part of their service.
2. Notary public  
The marriage certificate is translated and then certified by a notary public. You can find a notary public through either the Notaries Society or the Society of Scrivener Notaries.

### **Previous proceedings details**

Clarify whether there are, or have ever been, any other legal proceedings related to the marriage. Provide evidence that any previous proceeding has either been dismissed or withdrawn.

### **Statement of case details**

Clarify your evidence for the chosen reason (legally known as the 'facts') for your divorce.

### **The court has provided the following comments**

"The court has decided to make this free text order where you must give more information to us"

### **How to provide information or documents**

Follow the instructions from the court in the online service. If you need to submit any documents you can choose to:

- upload a digital photo or scan of the original paper documents on the online service
- send the original paper documents by post

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