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

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TERESA DE JESUS ARIAS	
Plaintiff,	
V.	CASE NO. 2024 DRB 3285
	ASSOCIATE JUDGE: S.M. WELLNER
	CALENDAR JUDGE: M.J. DEMEO
GUSTAVO CHAVEZ IRAHETA,	
Defendant.	

## **ORDER FOR ALTERNATIVE SERVICE BY POSTING**

## **ORDER GRANTING NEW HEARING DATE**

At a hearing on June 17, 2025, the Court noted that it had previously said it would grant the motion for alternative service filed by Plaintiff on February 10, 2025, but had not ordered the Clerk to post the required notice. The Court therefore set a new hearing date and said it would issue this Order for posting.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Court is satisfied that Plaintiff has made a diligent but unsuccessful effort to determine Defendant's whereabouts. She has given an adequate explanation for the need to serve him by alternative means. The Court has granted her application to proceed without prepayment of costs. In these circumstances, the Court will grant the motion and permit notification by posting.

On July 2, 2025, Plaintiff filed a motion asking for a date other than the one set at the hearing on June 17, 2025. The Court grants the request for good cause.

Accordingly, it is this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025, hereby,

**ORDERED** that Plaintiff's Motion to Service by Publication or Posting is hereby **GRANTED**<sup>1</sup>; it is further

ORDERED that the hearing scheduled for July 29, 2025, is VACATED; it is further

**ORDERED** that the parties shall appear for a status hearing in this matter on <u>August 19</u>,

<u>2025, at 12:00 p.m.</u> in Courtroom 103 of the Moultrie Courthouse, 500 Indiana Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20001. The hearing will be held in person. Failure to appear may result in a default judgment, sanctions, or dismissal; it is further

**ORDERED** that the attached notice shall be posted in the Clerk's Office of the Family Court of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for a period of twenty-one (21) calendar days in order to serve Defendant and notify him of the present action in which he is a party and as a court web posting at https://www.dccourts.gov/services/serve-notice for twenty-one days, starting from the date of this order.

STEVEN M. WELLNER ASSOCIATE JUDGE

**Copies To:** 

Teresa de Jesus Arias eaariasmail@gmail.com Via email Plaintiff

Gustavo Chavez Iraheta 1339 Randolph St NW Washington, D.C. 20011 Via USPS, last known address Defendant

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The docket shows the motion was granted on March 10, 2025, but the basis for this is not apparent from the entry.

## NOTICE OF HEARING FOR INITIAL HEARING ON DIVORCE

**Gustavo Chavez Iraheta**, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT a Complaint for Divorce has been filed in the above-captioned matter.

IF YOU WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS COMPLAINT, you must file a written objection with the Court by August 17, 2025. The Hearing is scheduled for August 19, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. in Courtroom 103. Your objection should be directed to the Domestic Relations Branch Clerk, Family Court, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 500 Indiana Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20001.

IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS COMPLAINT, you may consent to the relief sought prior to the next hearing. For more information on how to file a Consent Answer or Objection, please contact the Self-Help Center, (202) 879-0096, located at JM-570, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 500 Indiana Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20001.

FAILURE TO RESPOND IN THIS MATTER MAY RESULT IN THE ENTRY OF A JUDGMENT OF DEFAULT WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION.