



**COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS
IN THE SUPREME COURT
Family Division
2023/FAM/div/FP/00054**

BETWEEN

**IKE LYNWOOD SCOTT
"a.k.a" IRELYNWOOD SCOTT
Petitioner**

AND

**OLIVIA SCOTT
(nee WILLIAMS JOHNSON)
Respondent**

BEFORE: The Honourable Justice Petra M. Hanna-Adderley

APPEARANC: Mrs. Carla Scott Clare for the Petitioner

RULING

(On the Papers)

1. This is an application pursuant to Rule 9 (5) of the Matrimonial Causes Rules ("the Rules") AND Order 11, r 8(3) of the Rules of the Supreme Court for leave to serve the Petition filed herein on April 25, 2023 and the supporting documents on the Respondent outside of the jurisdiction via courier. The Petitioner filed an Ex Parte Summons on June 7, 2023, for such leave which is supported by his Affidavit filed on June 6, 2023.
2. The parties were married on December 13, 2008, in the Settlement of Dundas Town, Abaco, The Bahamas. The Respondent left the matrimonial home more than 5 years ago. There are no children of the marriage.
3. The Petitioner in his Affidavit in support states that the Respondent is a Dominican and is domiciled in the Dominican Republic. That he was informed by the Respondent that she lives at # 44 Calle Mella, Apt 2, Sector, Centro de la ciudad, San Pedron de Macoris, Dominican Republic.

4. Rule 9 (3) of the Rules provides as follows:

"(3) An application for leave to substitute for the modes of service prescribed by the foregoing paragraphs of this rule some other mode of service, or to substitute for service notice of the proceedings by advertisement or otherwise, shall be made ex parte by lodging with the judge an affidavit setting out the grounds on which the application is made."

5. The Court accepts the evidence of the Petitioner.

6. The Court, having read the Ex Parte Summons filed herein, having read the Affidavit filed herein, having heard Counsel for the Petitioner, having considered Rule 9 (3) of the Rules, makes the following Order, that leave is hereby granted to the Petitioner for substituted service of the divorce documents and all other documents connected to or associated with these proceedings on the Respondent at the said address by Courier.

Dated this 16th day of August, A. D. 2023


Petra M. Hanna-Adderley
Judge

