



**QUESTIONNAIRE: MILITARY RETIRED PAY**

The parties must have been married for at least 10 years (up to the date of dissolution), and the Service Member must have earned at least 10 years of creditable military service during the marriage, for DFAS to make direct payments to a former spouse. If the marriage does not meet the 10 year requirement, we may be able to assist you with a court order that will *only* be binding between the parties. Please call for more details if your marriage was less than 10 years, or if less than 10 years of service credit was accrued during the marriage.

Service Member’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Member’s Date of Enlistment: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ (MM/DD/YYYY)

Is the Member retired:  Yes  No If yes, date of retirement was: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

If retired, what form of Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) benefits did the Member select at Retirement?

- SBP with Former Spouse as Beneficiary  SBP with someone else as Beneficiary
- No SBP

Member is/was:  Active Duty & Reserve  Active Duty Only  Reserve Only

For **ACTIVE DUTY only**, number of months of creditable service earned from date of marriage through date of separation: \_\_\_\_\_

For members with any **RESERVE service**, total points creditable earned from date of marriage through date of separation (incl. both active duty points and reserve points): \_\_\_\_\_

Should the Order award **survivor benefits (SBP)** to the Member’s Former Spouse:  Yes  No

If yes, the SBP award to Former Spouse should be:

- The **maximum** award (55% of the Member’s disposable retired pay)
- A **pro-rata share** that will ensure that the former spouse receives the same dollar amount each month after the Member’s death that the Former Spouse was receiving during Member’s lifetime.
- A **proportionate share** where Former Spouse’s percentage interest is applied to the maximum award (i.e. if Former Spouse receives 20% of the monthly benefits during Member’s life, Former Spouse will receive 20% of the 55% maximum SBP benefit).

*Note: SBP benefits can only be paid to one person, not to both a current spouse and former spouse.*

Has Member’s Former Spouse remarried?  Yes  No

If yes, was Former Spouse age 55 or older when remarried?  Yes  No

Please describe any agreement between the parties regarding the division of military retired pay that is not addressed in your Marital Settlement Agreement or Judgment:

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