1. Under NORTH CAROLINA, fill in the name of the county you are filing in.

2. On the line above the word Plaintiff on the left side of the form, fill in your name.

3. On the line above the word Defendant on the left side of the form, fill in your spouse's name.

4. Under the sentence that says, The Plaintiff, complaining of the Defendant, alleges: next to #1, fill in the county you live in before the word County. You will do this two times in #1.

5. In #2, fill in the name of the county that your spouse lives in before the word County and fill in the state your spouse lives in after the word County.

6. In #3, fill in the date that you and your spouse were married on after the phrase married on or about. Next fill in the date that you and your spouse stopped living together after the phrase lived together as husband and wife until or about.

7. In #4, after the phrase That since, fill in the date that you and your spouse stopped living together. This will be the same as the date you filled in in #3 for the date that you and your spouse stopped living together.

8. Your #5 will be different depending on whether or not you and your spouse have children from you marriage. If you do not have children your COMPLAINT will have a #5 that says: There were no children born of this marriage. If you do have children with your spouse, you will have to fill in the number of children you have after the phrase There were and you will fill in the child(ren)'s names followed by their birthdates after the phrase to wit: (example: James Doe born March 5th, 1989).

9. Next, you will date the form with the day of the month, the month of the year, and the year that you are signing the form.

10. After dating the form, you, the Plaintiff, sign the form.

11. Underneath your signature you will fill in your address.

12. You will need (1) one original copy of the COMPLAINT, and (2) two copies of the COMPLAINT