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IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF IOWA

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF CATHY JO PAULSON AND MAX A. PAULSON

Upon the Petition of **CATHY JO PAULSON,**	)	
Petitioner-Appellee,	)	312
And concerning **MAX A. PAULSON,**	)	9-04 87-1783
Respondent-Appellant.	)	

Appeal from the Iowa District Court for Cerro Gordo County (No. 4235), Paul W. Riffel, Judge.

The husband appeals from a dissolution decree, challenging economic provisions. **AFFIRMED.**

Roger J. Kuhle of Kuhle & Sanders, P.C., Des Moines, for the respondent-appellant.

John G. Sorensen of Schuler, Stanton, Grabinski & Sorensen, Clear Lake, for the petitioner-appellee.

Considered by Oxberger, C.J., and Donielson and Sackett, JJ.

PER CURIAM 313

Respondent-appellant Max A. Paulson appeals his dissolution decree. He contends the property, alimony and attorney fee awards were inequitable. We affirm.

A justifiable property division is one that is equitable under the circumstances. Locke v. Locke, 246 N.W.2d 246, 251 (Iowa 1976); In re Marriage of Stewart, 356 N.W.2d 611, 612 (Iowa App. 1984). We consider property division and alimony together in evaluating their sufficiency. In re Marriage of Dahl, 418 N.W.2d 358, 359 (Iowa App. 1987); In re Marriage of Griffin, 356 N.W.2d 606, 608 (Iowa App. 1984).

We determine the property division and alimony provisions made by the trial court are equitable under these facts. See In re Marriage of Byall, 353 N.W.2d 103, 106 (Iowa App. 1984).

Max contends the attorney fee award is inequitable. Attorney fees are not recoverable as a matter of right but rest within the trial court's discretion and depend upon one spouse's financial needs and the other spouse's ability to satisfy them. See In re Marriage of Orgren, 375 N.W.2d 710, 714 (Iowa App. 1985). We affirm the attorney fee award.

We award Cathy attorney fees on appeal of $500.

AFFIRMED.