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SUPREME COURT

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF IOWA

IN RE MARRIAGE OF WILLIAM EDWARD WERNER & DONNA JEAN WERNER

Upon the Petition of)
WILLIAM EDWARD WERNER,) Filed August 26, 1980
Petitioner-Appellant,)
And Concerning)
DONNA JEAN WERNER,) 0-211
2-64056
Respondent-Appellee.)

Appeal from Mahaska District Court - Richard J. Vogel, Judge.

Petitioner husband appeals alimony award made in decree of dissolution. - AFFIRMED.

Garold F. Heslinga, of Heslinga & Heslinga, Oskaloosa, for petitioner-appellant.

Greg A. Life, of Life Law Office, Oskaloosa, for respondent-appellee.

Submitted to Oxberger, C.J., and Donielson, Snell, Carter and Johnson, JJ.

PER CURIAM

Appellant, William Edward Werner, appeals the award of alimony made by the trial court in its decree dissolving his marriage. The award consists of monthly payments to appellee, Donna Jean Werner, of $300 until child support ceases and $325 thereafter. One minor child, Mark, age 12, receives support from William as agreed by the parties of $50 per week.

William has worked for the Oskaloosa Water Department for 22 years and is now superintendent earning $19,080. As one of the benefits of employment he rents a house from the Department at the Waterworks location for $30 per month. His debts consist of $2400 on a camper, $995 to Montgomery Ward, $580 on a motor bike and $450 to Donna's lawyer.

The marriage lasted 29 years during which Donna was primarily occupied in raising the six children. She is 48 years old, has an eighth grade education, and has worked for Rolscreen Company , and as a hospital aide. Most recently she worked two hours a day for twelve days helping with the school hot lunch program. Donna is not currently employed and has no substantial assets earning income for her support. She projects expenses for her and son Mark of $784 a month.

Applying the criteria for economic determinations found in Schantz v. Schantz, 163 N.W.2d 398, 405 (Iowa 1976) we find the award of alimony is appropriate. Donna has need of this support which William can readily provide.

Costs assessed to appellant.

AFFIRMED.