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Supreme Court of Mississippi.

Bob HANEY

v.

Pat HANEY.

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Pat (Robertson) Haney.

Nos. 1999-CT-02078-SCT,

2002-CT-00244-SCT.

July 21, 2005.

Union County Chancery Court, John C. Ross, Jr., J.

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DICKINSON, Justice for the Court.

*1 ¶ 1. Bob Haney and his wife, Pat, decided to extricate themselves from a marriage which ended in separation after all of seventeen months. [FN1] During their brief flirtation with matrimony, they spent time in each other's separate homes, but never actually lived together, and no children were born of the marriage. Even though the complaint for divorce was filed eight years ago, and their divorce was granted five and a half years ago, Bob and Pat have been unable to leave the hospitality of our judiciary.

FN1. Pat originally filed for divorce on the grounds of habitual cruel and inhuman treatment and irreconcilable differences. At the beginning of the trial, Bob and Pat announced to the trial court that they had agreed to a divorce on the ground of irreconcilable differences "upon the authority of Section 93-5-2 of the Mississippi Code," which permits the chancellor to grant the divorce and decide the issues upon which the parties cannot agree.

¶2. The chancellor's division of marital assets was reversed and remanded by the Court of Appeals. *Haney v. Haney*, 788 So.2d 862 (Miss.Ct.App.2001) (*Haney I*). On remand, the chancellor entered another judgment and was again reversed and rendered in part and remanded in part by the Court of Appeals. *Haney v. Haney*, 881 So.2d 862 (Miss.Ct.App.2003) (*Haney II*). We granted certiorari and hope now to put an end to these