THE COURT OF APPEALS

ELEVENTH APPELLATE DISTRICT

PORTAGE COUNTY, OHIO

MARGARET E. CLARK, : **MEMORANDUM OPINION**

Plaintiff-Appellant, :

CASE NO. 2003-P-0092

- VS -

JAMES A. CLARK, :

Defendant-Appellee. :

Civil appeal from the Common Pleas Court, Domestic Relations Division, Case No. 02 DR 0658.

Judgment: Appeal dismissed.

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JUDITH A. CHRISTLEY, J.

{¶1} On August 7, 2003, appellant, Margaret E. Clark, filed a notice of appeal from a July 8, 2003 judgment of the Portage Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division. In that judgment, the trial court indicated that the parties were entitled to a decree of divorce, but stated that spousal support would not be awarded. Additionally, personal property was to be divided by agreement of the parties. In the

last sentence of the judgment, counsel for appellee, James A. Clark, was ordered to

prepare a decree of divorce "consistent with these findings and the agreement of the

parties."

{¶2} When a trial court enters an order stating that counsel shall prepare a

judgment entry consistent with the order, this constitutes a mere pronouncement of the

court's findings and is not the court's final judgment. Brooks v. Orshoski (1998), 129

Ohio App.3d 386, 393, citing St. Vincent Charity Hosp. v. Mintz (1987), 33 Ohio St.3d

121, 123, and Gibson v. Gibson (1993), 87 Ohio App.3d 426, 433-434.

{¶3} Thus, the decision being appealed in the case sub judice is not a final

appealable order because it is clear that the trial court anticipates a future act. We note

that subsequent to the filing of this appeal, a final divorce decree was issued in the

underlying case, which addressed all issues of support and property division, and a

timely appeal has been filed from that decision and assigned 11th Dist. No. 2003-P-

0119. Hence, appellant will not be denied her day in court.

{¶4} Accordingly, this court, sua sponte, dismisses this appeal due to lack of a

final appealable order.

{¶5} The appeal is dismissed.

Appeal dismissed.

DONALD R. FORD, P.J. and WILLIAM M. O'NEILL, J. concur.

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