

Also in subsection (d)(2)(i) of this section, the former word "granted" is deleted as included in "made".

In subsection (d)(2)(ii) of this section, "transfer" is substituted for the former word "acquisition", for clarity.

In subsection (d)(2)(iii) of this section, "not yet due and matured", which formerly modified "claims", is deleted as unnecessary.

The second sentence of Article 45, § 5, which related to the scope of the provisions of the section that concerned contractual relations entered into by married or unmarried women, is deleted as unnecessary.

4-302. HUSBAND'S LIABILITY FOR NECESSARIES.

(A) IN GENERAL.

AS AT COMMON LAW, A HUSBAND IS LIABLE FOR ANY DEBT OR CONTRACT THAT HIS WIFE INCURS OR ENTERS INTO:

- (1) ON THE HUSBAND'S CREDIT;
- (2) AS THE HUSBAND'S AGENT; OR
- (3) FOR NECESSARIES FOR HERSELF, FOR HIS CHILDREN, OR FOR THEIR CHILDREN.

(B) ABUSE OF CREDIT -- PETITION.

IF A HUSBAND BELIEVES THAT HIS WIFE IS ABUSING THE PLEDGING OF HIS CREDIT FOR NECESSARIES, HE MAY PETITION THE EQUITY COURT FOR THE COUNTY IN WHICH HE RESIDES FOR AN APPROPRIATE ORDER.

(C) SAME -- WIFE'S RIGHT TO COUNSEL.

(1) IF AN ACTION IS BROUGHT AGAINST A WIFE UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE WIFE MAY HAVE COUNSEL TO REPRESENT HER.

(2) THE COURT SHALL ASSESS APPROPRIATE COUNSEL FEES AGAINST THE HUSBAND.

(D) SAME -- COURT ORDER.

THE COURT SHALL PASS AN APPROPRIATE ORDER IF THE COURT FINDS THAT:

(1) THE WIFE IS ABUSING THE PLEDGING OF THE HUSBAND'S CREDIT; AND