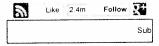


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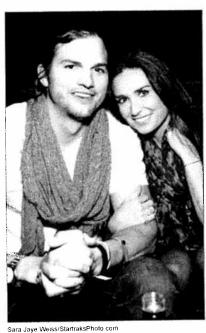




NEWS/ Ashton Kutcher and Demi Moore's Divorce May Be Finalized Soon

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Ashton Kutcher and Demi Moore's dragged-out divorce may finally be reaching its end.

E! News has learned that the *Jobs* actor filed notice with the court this week stating that he had given Moore a "preliminary declaration of disclosure," which is a prerequisite for divorce. "It could be a sign they are on the verge of a settlement," explains family law attorney Mark Gross, who represents **Charlie Sheen**.

Before a divorce agreement is settled, each side is required to disclose his or her income expenses, assets and debts, along with a statement that everything has been declared.

The next step, according to Gross, would be for Moore to serve Kutcher with her disclosure. Once both the parties have served each other with their disclosures and if there is an agreement in place, the marriage could end quickly.



The actors tied the knot in a private Kabbalah ceremony at their Beverly Hills home on September 24, 2005. Approximately 100 friends and family were invited.

Moore, 50, announced her breakup with Kutcher in November 2011. "It is with great sadness and a heavy heart that I have decided to end my six-year marriage to Ashton," she explained in a press statement. "As a woman, a mother and a wife there are certain values and vows that I hold sacred, and it is in this spirit that I have chosen to move forward with my life."

"This is a trying time for me and my family," the *Margin Call* actress added, "and so I would ask for the same compassion and privacy that you would give to anyone going through a similar situation."

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Thirteen months later, Kutcher filed for divorce in L.A. Superior Court. He cited irreconcilable differences as the reason for their breakup. The No Strings Attached star did not seek spousal support from Moore and requested that each party pay their own legal fees.



In January 2013, Moore sought treatment for exhaustion after an emergency call was placed from her home. "Because of the stresses in her life right now, Demi has chosen to seek professional assistance to treat her exhaustion and improve her overall health," her rep explained at the time.

When she filed a response two months later, she too cited irreconcilable differences. Unlike Kutcher, however, Moore asked to receive spousal support as well as compensation for her attorney's fees.

Kutcher, 35, became the highest-paid actor on television when he joined the cast of Two and a Half Men in 2011, replacing Sheen. The lowa native also has numerous lucrative tech investments through his A-Grade investments firm. Moore, meanwhile, is worth a reported \$150 million herself.

PHOTOS: Ashton Kutcher and Mila Kunis pack on the PDA in Central Park



This was the first union for Kutcher and the third for Moore, who has three kids from her second marriage to Bruce Willis from 1987 to 2000: Rumer Willis, 25, Scout Willis, 22, and Tallulah Willis, 19.



Despite their lengthy legal battle, Kutcher and Moore were photographed looking cordial at a Los Angeles airport in September 2013. They were returning from the same tech conference on behalf of their joint venture, We Are Thorn. The organization, which was previously named the Demi and Ashton Foundation, was created in 2009 and aims to use technology to "effect positive changes in the world."



PHOTOS: Demi Moore and Harry Morton's romantic

Kutcher has been dating his That '70s Show costar Mila Kunis since the spring of 2012. Moore has been romantically linked to New Zealand actor Martin

Henderson, art dealer Vito Schnabel and former commercial pearl diver Will Hannigan, as well as father-and-son restaurateurs Harry Morton and Peter Morton. She has not commented publicly on any of her rumored relationships.



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