

Fatwa no. 4685

Q: I put my question before Your Eminence, and I ask Allah, that you will give me the legal ruling in my case. I divorced my wife, the mother of my only son once, and registered the Talaq (divorce pronounced by a husband) in the court of Al-dir`iyah. I wanted to divorce her again in front of witnesses, but without the legal registration because I did not have my identity card when I went to the court that day. I hope that Your Eminence will tell me whether this Talaq is valid, even though it was not legally registered. I did not pronounce Talaq, but I intended it. Later on, I wanted to take my wife back. Is she lawful to me? May Allah guide you to serve the Book of Allah, and the Sunnah (whatever is reported from the Prophet).

A: If the reality is as you mentioned that you intended Talaq and you went to the court to announce it, but you came out from the court without registering or pronouncing it, then Talaq did not take place and she is still your wife without the need to take her back in marriage.

May Allah grant us success. May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions.

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