

Fatwa no. 714

**Q: Someone received a four-year jail sentence. During the second year of this term, his father visited him and told him that his wife was causing much trouble in the family and that her presence threatened the family's stability. The husband consequently said, "She is divorced three times". Eight months later, the divorce document was written stating they are three times of divorce. When the husband was released from jail and looked into the matter, it turned out that his wife was innocent and all that was said about her was false. She was even done wrong and there were reasons that made him sympathize with her.**

**A:** The information state that the man divorced his wife based on what was said to him about her, that she caused much trouble in his family and that her presence threatened stability. The divorce document was written after the said period of time has elapsed. After the man was released from jail, he discovered that his wife was innocent of all the false accusations his father made and that she did not threaten the family's stability.

If all of these matters are proven, the divorce is not effective, since it was based on the authenticity of what was said to him about his wife at that time and which finally turned out to be false.

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

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