

Sect. 4.

How Marriage is dissolved, and the Effects of the Dissolution.
Marriage is dissolved by the Death of either Party or by Divorce

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Dissolution of Marriage thro' Death of either Party.

If the Husband or Wife die within Year and Day of the Marriage all ~~is~~
thingone in Contemplation thereof on either side, blow up, become void and return
to the same Condition they were in before the Marriage, unless there was a live
Child of the Marriage born dying; or that it was otherwise agreed. Craigfield 21
2. tif. 2.2.8.8. Stair lib. i. tit. 4. §. 12 & 19. Which is conform. to the civil Law

This Return takes Effect in the Case of a second as well as of first Marriage
and Restitution hencinde is to be made, whether the Husband dying was man
before or not, or whether the Wife dying was a Virgin the Time of her Marriage
or not 23 July 1634 Maxwell contra Hartstone. It was extended to an Infir
mit by a Husband to his Wife, that had no express Relation to the Marriage
which was presumed to have been given hoc intituli: in Respect it mentioned no
other Cause, and was the same Deed to which the Husband stood obliged by the Con
tract of Marriage 16 Novemb. 1633 Grant contra Grant A. Focker paid
within the Year, was ordain'd to be restored upon the Wife's Dying within that
Time, without any Allowance to the Husband for her Entertainment during
the Marriage, but only for her Marriage Costs and other antinsiptal Debts,
and her funeral-Charges after Dissolution of the Marriage, all which had been
paid by the Husband 23 Feb. 1681 Gordon contra Jigler. A Man having mar
ried a Faverne who, after she was proclaimed, had bought 12 Hogsheads of
Wine and vend'd some Part of it before the Marriage and some after during the
space of 4 Months only that she lived with her Husband; and the Husband im
mediately after his Wife's Death, having caused the Magistrates inventory the Rem
ainder of the Wines, and without further meddling delivered the Keys of the
Cellar to them: the Husband was not found liable to the Seller of the Wines, for
any Part thereof vend'd before the Marriage, or for what remained unsold after
his Wife's Death; but only for what was sold during the Marriage, he being bur
dened thereby. Because by Dissolution of the Marriage within Year and Day, the
Property of the Wine returned to the Wife's Executors and nearest of Kin,
and the Husband had no Interest therein. But in Regard there were Wines in
the Cellar bought from other Persons the Husband was burdened to prove what
Quantity was sold before the Marriage, and what remained at his Wife's Death,
or otherwise to pay the price of the whole, it being his Part to know that Mat
ter of Fact more than the Merchant who was a Stranger 25 Novemb. 1668
Andro contra Carle.

The Benefit of this mutual Restitution is not confined to the Husband and
Wife

Wife and their Heirs; but is communicated to any other Person concerned.
So that if the Focker was not brought by the Wife herself, it goes back to the
Person from whom it came Stair lib. i. tit. 4. 19. Stewart answers to Discret Doubt
It. Focker! As to her Father, Mother &c who took her 13 July 1697
King contra Her. For albeit it might be pretended, that the Focker fictio
nemans was given to the Bride out of Affection, to the End she might
give it to the Bridegroom; yet all Obligations for a Focker are conditional,
and causa data. That Marriage dissolving by the Wife's Death within the
Year, an Infirmit granted to a Husband an eldest Son by his Father, of his
Estate in Contemplation of the Marriage, was found void: seeing the Father
did not adhere to that Infirmit, but on the contrary did infest his second
Son in his whole Estate 16 July 1678 L. Burghlie contra L. Faverne, Be
cause the same Father infest their Sons in their Estates without Respect
to Marriage, yet that is done upon some special Consideration, as when a Fa
ther finds himself overburdened with Debt, and would ease himself, or is conscious
of his own Unfitness to manage. For otherwise a Father is never presumed
willing to render himself a naked Lifecenter, ^{because} of his Estate, only upon spe
cial Motives of Respect to the Bride or the Focker which he cannot otherwise
obtain. However the Infirmit in the Case just now cited would not have simply
ceased, as personal Rights or Liberties in Contemplation of Marriage do; had
the Father persisted and suffered his eldest Son to perpet. Again, Marriage
that dissolving without Effect by the Husband's Death, a Focker proceeded ^{to} to
the Wife by her Brothers, payable to the Husband who was to have employed it
for her; was annulled even as to the Wife's Claim against her Brothers albeit
it was expressly payable in Satisfaction of her Position natural; in Respect no such
Position appeared to have been due to her, or commenced upon 9 November
1672 Gutherie contra Gutherie.

But Infirmit to a Wife in Compence of her Focker payed to the Husband
was found to stand good till the Focker were repaid; tho' the Marriage dissolved
within the Year 20 July 1664 Octrie contra Paul. The Title and bone fide
makes bona consumpta sua Stewart answers to Discret Doubt tit. 19 marri
Upon Dissolution of Marriage within Year and Day, Gifts given to the mar
ried Persons by the Friends on both Sides, without excepting on whose Ac
count are divided equally between the Man and Wife: except jocalia proper
for the Wife so gifted after the Marriage and delivered to her, £as 200. purd
paid foras part 3. const. 2.2. def. 1. & 2. 14 January 1679 Walk contra
Garrison. Division is made equal betwixt the Man and the Wife: because
gifts to them in a conjugal Society being possessed by them in communione
bonorum and presumed given to them as in that Society, both have equal
Share by the Dissolution thereof. For Dissolution of the Marriage within
Year