

In Mississippi you can sue the person responsible for stealing away your spouse's affections. For example, your spouse has been pulling away for a while and then you discover there is another woman (or man). Your marriage fails and the two of you divorce. You can sue the other man/woman. The tort of alienation of affection is still recognized in Mississippi - so paramours beware!

A successful alienation of affection plaintiff must show:

- 1) Wrongful conduct by the third party;
- 2) Loss of the spouse's affections; and
- 3) a causal connection between the two.

The spouse must have been induced to abandon the marital relationship through the active interference of the third party. However, proof of adultery is not necessary for a successful alienation of affection claim. Third parties providing shelter and financial support have provided grounds for successful alienation of affection actions in the past.

If your marriage is ending due to another man or woman's influence, you may be entitled to more than just a divorce.