

Zoey Deschanel and Ben Gibbard's Divorce Is Finalized



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The wait is finally over. One year after filing for a divorce, Zoey Deschanel and Ben Gibbard are no longer married, according to [People](#). The court documents filed in Los Angeles County Superior Court date the marriage officially over on Dec. 12. Also written in the divorce documents, the reason for the marriage dissolution is, "Unhappy and irreconcilable differences have arisen between the parties, which have caused the irremediable breakdown of their marriage. There is no possibility that counseling ... or mediation could save the marriage." The couple was married in Sept. 2009. Since the official separation in Oct. 2011, neither Deschanel, 32, nor Gibbard, 36, have ever given details about the breakup.

However, later on, the *New Girl* TV star claimed they are amicable with each other. "We're friendly. It's all fine."

How do you know when there is no hope of fixing your marriage?

Cupid's Advice:

Even though divorce is such a common occurrence, many couples are shocked when it happens to them. You and your partner may focus on trying to love each other again. However, this sets you both up for missing the signs. To help you see clear, here are a few signs that confirm the marriage is over:

1. Character assassination: A clear sign that your marriage is over begins with you and your partner's many attempts at assassinating each other's character. The belittling, public insults, name-calling and embarrassing attacks are fatal to your marriage, ensuring a true dissolution.

2. Intimacy is gone: Although marriage is not only about a physical connection, it will never last without some form of intimacy between you and your mate. Without a way for a couple to strengthen the relationship's closeness through loving contact, one of you will feel neglected and ready to leave.

3. Dead silence: Complete silence in a marriage with neither one of you willing to talk it out will get you two speaking to divorce lawyers. Without any further communication, the reconciliation will never begin. This makes it officially over.

When did you realize there was no hope of fixing your marriage? Share your story below.