

DOCKET NO. FA-19-5025630-S (AC 47527) : SUPERIOR COURT  
 SKOPIC, MIRNESA : JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
 APR 22 2024 : OF NEW BRITAIN  
 V. : AT NEW BRITAIN  
 SKOPIC, NEDZAD : ASSISTANT CLERK  
 : APRIL 22, 2024

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

This matter comes before the court by way of a dissolution of marriage complaint that was filed on May 17, 2019. The matter went to judgment by agreement on July 15, 2019 (Docket Entry #108). After the entry of the judgment, multiple postjudgment motions have been filed in the case. On March 1 and March 10, 2023, the court heard evidence and argument related to a number of those motions. On March 23, 2023, the court issued a lengthy memorandum of decision (Docket Entry #199). After the issuance of that decision, the parties continued to file postjudgment motions. In March of 2024, the court (*Allard, J.*) heard argument and evidence related to those motions and issued orders on the same (Docket Entries ##284.10, 285.10, 286.10, 287.10, 288.10, and 289.10). On April 4, 2024, the plaintiff filed an appeal of two of those orders to the Appellate Court (Docket Entry #332). On April 8, 2024, the plaintiff also filed a motion for articulation with the Appellate Court, wherein she seeks that this court “provide [an] articulation of its [March 23, 2023] decision.” She specifically seeks that the court issue “clear guidelines for ‘Time Sensitive Matters’”; give detailed instructions on the “procedural expectations for engaging with the co-parent counselor”; and give “foundational guidelines for both parents in making informed, timely and mutually respectful decisions” including “establishing a precedent for constructive communication and collaboration” between the parties. The court denies said motion as it seeks to define and clarify terms from the March

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23, 2023 decision, which was not appealed. Said motion was not filed timely relative to the March 23, 2023 decision. The time in which a motion for articulation may be filed is left to the sound discretion of the trial court. *Maguire v. Maguire*, 222 Conn. 32, 38, 608 A.2d 79 (1992), overruled on other grounds by *Ramin v. Ramin*, 281 Conn. 324, 915 A.2d 790 (2007). “It is well established that [a]n articulation is appropriate where the trial court’s decision contains some ambiguity or deficiency reasonably susceptible of clarification. . . . [P]roper utilization of the motion for articulation serves to dispel any . . . ambiguity by clarifying the factual and legal basis upon which the trial court rendered its decision, thereby sharpening the issues on appeal.”

(Internal quotation marks omitted.) *State v. Walker*, 319 Conn. 668, 680, 126 A.3d 1087 (2015).

With these principles in mind, the court has reviewed the memorandum and order. Based on that review, the court concludes that the requested articulations are not necessary for the proper presentation of the issues in the current appeal. See Practice Book § 66-5.<sup>1</sup> Accordingly, the plaintiff’s motion is denied. See *Welsh v. Martinez*, Superior Court, judicial district of Hartford, Docket No. CV-10-6012959-S-X03 (January 9, 2018, *Moll, J.*) (denying motion for articulation because court concluded that requested articulations were not necessary for the proper presentation of the issues). “Our rules of practice provide a procedure for appellants seeking an articulation from the trial court as to the factual and legal bases for its decisions. Practice Book § 66-5.” *Brycki v. Brycki*, 91 Conn. App. 579, 593, 881 A.2d 1056 (2005). This motion does not seek such response. In this case, no appeal was filed relative to the March 23, 2023 decision and

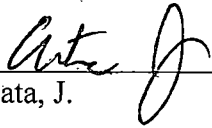
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<sup>1</sup> Practice Book § 66-5 provides in relevant part: “A motion . . . seeking an articulation . . . of the decision of the trial court shall be called . . . a motion for articulation . . . . Any motion filed pursuant to this section shall state with particularity the relief sought and shall be filed with the appellate clerk. . . . The trial court may make such corrections or additions as are necessary for the proper presentation of the issues.”

the motion was filed over a year after the court issued its ruling. For all of these reasons, the motion for articulation is denied.

SO ORDERED.

BY THE COURT,

  
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Armata, J.