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Bussiere v. Bussiere (In re Bussiere)

Issue: Whether the claim of the debtor's former spouse is a domestic support obligation excepted from discharge pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 523(a)(5)?

Ruling: No. After considering the factors set forth in *Phegley v. Phegley (In re Phegley)*, 443 B.R. 154, 158 (B.A.P. 8th Cir. 2011), the Court found the state court award of attorney fees and the child custody evaluation cost to the debtor's former spouse was not a domestic support obligation because the award was not intended as support and was punitive in nature.

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