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Marital Property: Pension



The Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act defines marital and nonmarital property. Marital property is all property, including debts and other obligations, acquired by either spouse subsequent to the marriage, except anything that classifies as non-marital property. The statute presumes all property acquired during the marriage to be marital.



In the case of *IRMO: Zamudio*, Frank served in the military prior to the marriage. During the marriage, Frank purchased permissive service credit toward his pension based on the time he had previously spent in the military. Frank argued that the service credit was based on the time that he spent in the military and that took place prior to the marriage. However, the appellate court held that the pension credit purchased by Frank was martial property. The service credit was purchase during the marriage with marital funds and was therefore subject to division in the divorce.

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