

## *Armstrong Factors*

In *Armstrong*, supra, the Court prescribed specific factors which must be considered when issues of “periodic” or “permanent” alimony are raised. (Terms used interchangeably . . . also applied to issues of “rehabilitative alimony”). The factors listed in *Armstrong* are as follows:

1. The income and expenses of the parties;
2. The health and earnings capacity of the parties;
3. The needs of each party;
4. The obligations and assets of each party;
5. The length of the marriage;
6. The presence or absence of minor children in the home, which may require that one or both parties pay, or personally provide child care;
7. The age of the parties;
8. The standard of living of the parties, both during the marriage and at the time of the support determination;
9. The tax consequences of the spousal support order;
10. Fault or misconduct;
11. Wasteful dissipation of assets by either party; or
12. Any other factor deemed by the Court to be “just and equitable” in connection with the setting of spousal support.

*Armstrong v. Armstrong*, 618 So.2d 1278 (Miss. 1993).