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Supreme Court Warns Courts Against Mistaking Separation for a Broken Marriage

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The country's highest court has sent a pointed reminder to judges across the system: two people living apart does not automatically mean their marriage has collapsed beyond repair. Before declaring a relationship dead on arrival, courts must peel back the layers and identify who – if anyone – actually severed the marital bond.

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