

113422 - He said: “If I get another job I shall issue a divorce,” then he fell silent, then he said: “to the company”

the question

My friend and I work for a company, and we sat and chatted about leaving this job because the salary is low, and I said to my friend: “If I get another job I shall issue a divorce,” then I kept quiet for a few seconds, then I said, “to the company,” (even though the intention was about the company) because before I got married we used to say that we were married to the company, as a joke. What is the ruling on the word of divorce in this case and what is the solution if it is valid?.

Detailed answer

What you mentioned about your saying, “If I get a job I shall issue a divorce,” when what you meant was leaving the company, then you completed the sentence after being quiet for a few seconds, does not count as a divorce, because the wife was not meant by these words.

This phrase, “If I get a job I shall issue a divorce,” does not count as a divorce of your wife, even if you intended to divorce her; rather it is simply telling of what you have decided to do in the future, and that does not count as a divorce.

You should avoid using the word of divorce (talaaq), whether you are serious or joking, with your wife and with others, because this is safer.

And Allah knows best.