Mental Cruelty

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Mental cruelty to the judge that day
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And listened to his lying words mental cruelty

Your Honor, since our marriage My life's not been the same I'm missing out on all the fun And he's the one to blame

There's never any excitement now
The way there used to be
And sharing his way of life
And doing his laundry, is mental cruelty

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Divorce has been granted For many different things Even when there's not a reason And when no one can be blamed

With only two little words She's on her merry way Yes, all the woman has to claim Is mental cruelty

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