

**In re Maria D. Lopez**  
**08-18101-BKC-LMI**

Attorney fees awarded in connection with a divorce proceeding are not considered a domestic support obligation, and therefore not entitled to priority, unless they are in the nature of alimony, maintenance, or support. The attorney fees awarded to the creditor husband could not be considered support where the order awarding fees specifically stated the award was not based upon the respective wages of the parties or their ability to pay, and were instead based upon the bad faith litigation practices of the debtor wife.