

Question 1614) - How many divorces can a freeman and a slave give?

A: According to the Ahnaf this is determined according to the wife, not the husband. If the woman is a slave, then she can get two divorces and her 'Iddah is two menstruations, whether her husband is a slave or a freeman. A freewoman can be divorced thrice, whether her husband is free or a slave. In summary, a slave-girl's husband does not own more than two divorces. If he divorces her twice then he has used up what he got. Two regarding her is like three regarding a freewoman and the divorce is Mughallazh.

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