CASE: ______________________________  PROT. NO.: IFF-______________

PETITION FOR A PAPAL DISSOLUTION
IN FAVOREM FIDEI (FAVOR OF THE FAITH)

MOST HOLY FATHER:

I, ___________________________, most sincerely submit the following petition for an Apostolic dissolution, in favorem fidei, of my marriage with:

____________________________________________

(Name of Respondent as it appears on the Marriage Certificate)

We entered this marriage on ________________.

(Date of the Marriage)

When the union proved unhappy, a decree of civil divorce was sought and obtained by ________________ on ________________.

(Name of the legal petitioner of the divorce) (Date of the Final Decree of Divorce)

From this union, __________ child/children were born.

(number)

At the time of said marriage, I was:

☐ Not baptized in any Christian church.
☐ Baptized in the ___________________ church.

The other party was:

☐ Not baptized in any Christian church.
☐ Baptized in the ___________________ church.

☐ I wish to become Catholic in the near future, and I promise to live as a sincere Catholic the rest of my life.
☐ I do not wish to become a Catholic at this time.

Therefore, I sincerely ask you Holiness, as the Vicar of Christ, to grant the Apostolic dissolution of said marriage in favor of the Faith so that I may marry

____________________________________________

(Name of Prospective Spouse)

The reasons for my petition are: (Please check one or more of the relevant reasons.)

☐ 1. Estrangement from my former spouse with no prospect for reconciliation.
☐ 2. My peace of conscience and desire to live a moral life.
☐ 3. My desire to be free to marry a Catholic in the future.
☐ 4. My desire to validate my present civil marriage to a Catholic.
☐ 5. My desire to maintain a Catholic home and raise my children Catholic.
☐ 6. The conversion of my civil spouse who desires to embrace the faith.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
Date received at Tribunal: __________________ Notary: __________________________
Filing Fee Paid ($100): __________________ Date: __________________________
IN SUBMITTING THIS PETITION, I HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE TRIBUNAL TO CONTACT MY FORMER SPOUSE AND THE WITNESSES I HAVE NAMED ON THE ATTACHED PAGES.

I UNDERSTAND IN SUBMITTING THIS PETITION THAT NO DATE FOR A MARRIAGE OR FOR THE RECEPTION OF BAPTISM MAY BE SCHEDULED OR PROMISED UNTIL THE CASE HAS BEEN COMPLETED AT ROME.

________________________________
Signature of the Petitioner

Date

________________________________
Signature of the Priest/Deacon/Parish Minister

Name of Parish

PRINT Name of Priest/Deacon, etc.

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Please submit the following along with this petition:

☐ 1. A certified copy of the certificate of the marriage between the Petitioner and Respondent.
☐ 2. A certified copy of the final decree of civil divorce/dissolution/annulment of that union.
☐ 3. A copy of the Petitioner’s baptismal certificate (if baptized).
☐ 4. A copy of the Prospective Spouse’s baptismal certificate (if baptized).
☐ 5. A certified copy of the civil marriage certificate between the Petitioner and the Proposed Spouse (if they are already in a civil marriage.)
☐ 6. Copies of the certificates of Catholic baptism for any children of either union who have been baptized as Catholics.
☐ 8. Dispensation from the Disparity of Worship or Permission for Mixed Marriage for the Proposed Marriage/Convalidation (if applicable).
☐ 9. Promises / Cautiones specific to the Favor of the Faith (if applicable).
☐ 10. The completed questionnaire regarding the whereabouts of the Respondent (if no contact information is available.)
☐ 11. Recommendation from the submitting minister for the Petitioner.
☐ 12. Recommendation from the submitting minister for the Proposed Spouse.
☐ 13. The $100.00 filing fee
   (Make checks payable to: Tribunal - Archdiocese of Los Angeles).

The remainder of the $500 fee will be billed to the petitioner in two installments.
   • $200 will be due at the time the petition and accompanying testimony is forwarded to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in Rome.
   • The remaining $200 will be due upon completion of the case in Rome.
DATA CONCERNING THE RESPONDENT

Please type or neatly print the following data about the Respondent (i.e., your spouse in the marriage you are seeking to have dissolved).

Respondent’s Current Legal Name: ____________________________________________

Proper Salutation: Please Circle: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Dr. Other: ____________

Maiden Name (if different): ________________________________________________

Street Address: __________________________________________ City: ____________

State: _______ Zip Code: _________ Country (if outside USA) _________________

Phone: Home: __________________________ Cell: _____________________________

Work: ___________________________ E-mail: _________________________________

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(If you do not have an address for the Other Party, please provide the name of a relative "in care of" whom we can attempt to reach him or her.)

Name: ____________________________ Relationship to Respondent: ______________

Proper Salutation: Please Circle: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Dr. Other: ____________

Street Address: __________________________ City: __________________________

State: _______ Zip Code: _________ Country (if outside USA) _________________

Phone: Home: __________________________ Cell: _____________________________

Work: ___________________________ E-mail: _________________________________

If you have no address for the Respondent, the priest or parish minister assisting you will provide a special supplementary questionnaire describing why his or her whereabouts cannot be located.

If this petition is based on the non-baptism of the Respondent, and if you have no address at all for the Respondent, it will be very difficult if not impossible to verify the facts necessary to grant the Favor of the Faith. Please have the parish minister with whom you are working consult the Tribunal to determine whether a petition for a Favor of the Faith is appropriate, or whether some other approach would be better.

Thank you.
WITNESSES FOR THE NON-BAPTIZED PARTY(IES)

In order to grant a papal dissolution in Favor of the Faith, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith requires solid evidence that:
1. One or both of the spouses were not baptized at the time of the exchange of vows.
2. At least on of the parties remained unbaptized throughout the common life.

Please name at least two witnesses who are able and willing to provide testimony about the unbaptized party. If you wish to name more than two witnesses, please copy this page and include the additional witnesses. If both the Petitioner and Respondent were not baptized throughout the common life, it is helpful, though not essential, to provided witnesses for each. If you wish to do so, make a copy of this page and fill one out for the Petitioner and one for the Respondent.

The preferred witnesses are the parents of the unbaptized person. Other competent witnesses are older brothers or sisters, uncles, aunts or older cousins of the unbaptized person. If no other witnesses are available, younger brothers and sisters of the unbaptized person may be named. Please do NOT name children of the marriage in question. Please notify the witnesses that you have named them in connection with your petition and that they should expect to hear from the Tribunal.

The following are witnesses for:

☐ The unbaptized Petitioner
☐ The unbaptized Respondent

Name of Witness: ____________________________
Proper Salutation: Please Circle: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Dr. Other:_____________
Relationship to the Petitioner: ___________ Relationship to the Respondent: ___________
Street Address: ____________________________ City: ____________________________
State: ______ Zip Code: __________ Country (if outside USA) _________________
Phone: Home: ___________ Cell: ___________
Work: ___________ E-mail: ________________

Name of Witness: ____________________________
Proper Salutation: Please Circle: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Dr. Other:_____________
Relationship to the Petitioner: ___________ Relationship to the Respondent: ___________
Street Address: ____________________________ City: ____________________________
State: ______ Zip Code: __________ Country (if outside USA) _________________
Phone: Home: ___________ Cell: ___________
Work: ___________ E-mail: ________________
PAPAL DISSOLUTION IN FAVOR OF THE FAITH
PETITIONER’S DEPOSITION:

CASE: ______________________
PROT. NO.: IFF _____________

Acknowledging that I fully understand the nature of an oath (i.e. the calling upon God to witness the truth of the statements made), I swear that I will tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help me, God!

I. GENERAL:

Full name (incl. Maiden) ____________________________________________
Street Address: ____________________________________________________
City: _____________________________ State: _______ZIP Code:___________
Phone: Home: ____________ Cell: ________________________________
Work: ____________ E-mail: ________________________________
Date of Birth _______________________ Place __________________________
Religion at time of the marriage in question: _____________________________
Current Religion: _______________________________

II. BAPTISM OF PETITIONER:

1. Were you ever baptized? □ yes □ no
   If so, please give the date: ____________________________
   Name and denomination of Church: ____________________________
   Address of Church: ____________________________
   If not baptized, why not? ____________________________

2. What is your father’s full name? ____________________________
   Is he living or deceased? ____________________________
   To what religion did your father belong? ____________________________
   Did he practice this faith actively? ____________________________
   What were his views on the importance of baptism? ____________________________
3. What is your mother’s full name? ________________________________________
   Is she living or deceased? _______________________________________________
   To what religion did your mother belong? _________________________________
   Did she practice this faith actively? _________________________________
   What were her views on the importance of baptism? _______________________
   ________________________________________________________________

4. During what years did you live with your parents? _______________________

5. Were you ever under the guardianship of others? _______________________
   If so, during what years? _____________________________________________

6. Were any of your siblings ever baptized? ☐ yes ☐ no
   If so, please complete the following information for each of your siblings.

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7. If some of your siblings were baptized and you were not, please explain the
   reasons for this difference.
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8. Did you ever attend any Christian church or Sunday school, even if you had
   no formal membership or affiliation? ☐ yes ☐ no
   If so, please list all churches or Sunday schools you attended.

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III. **BAPTISM OF THE RESPONDENT:**

1. Was your former spouse ever baptized? ☐ yes ☐ no
   If so, please give the date: _______________________________
   Name and denomination of Church: _______________________________
   Address of Church: ___________________________________________
If he/she was not baptized, why not? __________________________________________
______________________________________________________________

2. What is the full name of your former spouse’s father? _____________________
Is his/her father living or deceased? ________________________________
To what religion did his/her father belong? ____________________
Did his/her father practice this faith actively? __________________________
What were his/her father’s views on the importance of baptism?
______________________________________________________________

3. What is the full name of your former spouse’s mother? ________________
Is your former spouse’s mother living or deceased? ______________
To what religion did his/her mother belong? __________________
Did his/her mother practice this faith actively? ________________________
What were his/her mother’s views on the importance of baptism?
______________________________________________________________

4. During what years did your former spouse live with his/her parents?
______________________________________________________________

5. Was your former spouse ever under the guardianship of others? ☐ yes ☐ no
If so, what years? ____________________________________________

6. Were any of his/her siblings ever baptized? ☐ yes ☐ no
If so, please complete the following information for each of your siblings.

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7. If some of his/her siblings were baptized and he/she was not, please explain
the reasons for this difference.
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8. Did he/she ever attend any Christian church or Sunday school, even if he/she
had no formal membership or affiliation? ☐ yes ☐ no
If so, please list all churches or Sunday schools you attended.
IV. MARRIAGE OF THE PETITIONER AND RESPONDENT:

1. Was this the first union for each of you? □ yes □ no
   If not, give the following information regarding each former spouse.

    Former Spouse:
    First Name: _____________________ Middle Name: _____________________
    Surname: _____________________ Maiden Name (if different): _______________
    His/Her Religion at time of marriage: ______________________
       Baptism: □ Catholic □ Other ________ □ Not baptized
    Marriage date: ______________________
       □ Catholic ceremony □ Other religious ceremony □ civil ceremony
    Place of marriage: City: _____________________ State: ___________
    Had this person been married prior to your union? □ Yes □ No
       Number of prior marriages: □ 0 □ 1 □ 2 □ 3 □ other____
    Divorce date: ________________ and/or Death date: _______________

2. How many children were born of the marriage in question? ______________
   Are they baptized, or to be baptized Catholic? □ yes □ no
   (If baptized, please enclose a copy of the baptismal certificate.)

3. How long did you live together as husband and wife? ___________________

4. What was the cause of the breakup of the marriage in question?
   _______________________________________________________________
   _______________________________________________________________

5. Who was responsible? ____________________________________________

6. Is there any hope for reconciliation? (Give reasons). □ yes □ no
   __________________________________________________________________

7. Did the breakup and divorce cause unusual comment or publicity?
   □ yes □ no __________________________________________________________________
V. **PROPOSED MARRIAGE OR CONVALIDATION:**

General Data on the Proposed Spouse:

First Name ____________________ Middle Name __________________________
Surname: ____________________ Maiden Name (if different) ________________
Street Address: ______________________________________________________
City: ________________________ State: _______ ZIP Code: _________
Phone: Home: ____________ Cell: ________________________________
Work: ________________ E-mail: ________________________________
Date of Birth: ______________ Place of Birth: ______________________
Current Religion: __________________________

1. Has he/she ever been baptized? □ yes □ no
   If so, where and when? ___________________________________________
   *(If baptized, please enclose a copy of the baptismal certificate.)*

2. How long have you known him/her? ________________________________

3. Did your friendship with him/her play any part whatsoever in your separation
   and divorce from the Respondent? *Please explain.*
   __________________________________________________________________
   __________________________________________________________________

4. Are you and the person you wish to marry in the Catholic Church already
   united by any civil or religious exchange of marriage vows? □ yes □ no
   If so, complete:
   Marriage date: __________________________
   Place of marriage: City: ________________________ State: _________
   *(Please enclose a copy of your certificate of marriage.)*

5. Do you and the person you wish to marry in the Catholic Church have any
   children? □ yes □ no
   If so, how many? ________________
   Have they been baptized in the Catholic Church? □ yes □ no
   *(If any children have been baptized Catholic, please enclose copies of their
   baptismal certificates.)*
6. Is the person you wish to marry free to marry according to the laws of the Catholic Church?  ☐ yes  ☐ no  Please explain.

_______________________________________________________________

7. If the papal dissolution is granted and you are permitted to celebrate a marriage in the Catholic Church, would this cause any unusual comment or publicity?  ☐ yes  ☐ no  Please explain.

_______________________________________________________________

VI. YOUR CURRENT RELIGIOUS CONVICTIONS AND PRACTICE:

1. If you are Catholic, how do you fulfill your religious duties?

_______________________________________________________________

2. If you are not Catholic, do you wish to receive baptism in the Catholic Church, or if already baptized, to make a profession of faith in the Catholic Church?  _______________________________________________________

3. If you wish to become Catholic, have you begun taking instruction?

☐ yes  ☐ no

Name of Instructor: ______________________________________________

Parish of Instruction: _____________________________________________

Having re-read the above testimony, I verify the same as being the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help me God.

_______________________________________________________________

Petitioner’s Signature

Subscribed and sworn to me
THIS _____ DAY OF ____________, ________

_______________________________________________________________

Signature: Priest/Deacon/Parish Minister  (Parish Seal)
PRINT Name _____________________________________________

Church: _________________________________________________

City, State, Zip ___________________________________________
RECOMMENDATION OF THE PARISH PRIEST/INSTRUCTOR

Regarding __________________________, the Catholic Petitioner and/or the Catholic Civil/Prospective Spouse of the Petitioner in the above-named case, we would like the following information:

1. How well does the above named Catholic Party practice his/her Catholic religion?

2. Does the above named Catholic party do all in his/her power to live in accordance with his/her baptismal promises?

3. What signs of sincerity in practicing the Faith has the above named Catholic party shown?

4. Is there any danger of scandal or unusual comment if the above named Catholic party is permitted to marry someone who is known to have been in a prior valid union? Give reasons that would exclude scandal.

5. Please add any further remarks, which you deem appropriate.

______________________________
Signature Parish Priest / Deacon/ Parish Minister

PRINT Name _____________________________
Church: _______________________________
City: _________________________________
Date: ________________________________
RECOMMENDATION OF THE PARISH PRIEST/INSTRUCTOR

Regarding ____________________________, the non-Catholic Petitioner and/or the non-Catholic Civil/Prospective Spouse of the Petitioner in the above-named case, we would like the following information:

1. How much instruction has the non-Catholic party received in Catholic doctrine?

2. Has the above named non-Catholic party been baptized in any religion either absolutely or conditionally? Indicate which and why.

3. Will Catholic baptism be conferred absolutely or conditionally, or will the non-Catholic party be received into full communion with the Catholic Church?

4. Is there any danger of scandal or unusual comment if the above named non-Catholic party is permitted to marry someone who is known to have been in a prior valid marriage? Give reasons that would exclude scandal.

5. What signs of sincerity has the non-Catholic party shown?

6. What is the non-Catholic party’s actual practice of the Catholic Faith at this time?

_____________________________________________
Signature Parish Priest / Deacon/ Parish Minister

PRINT Name ________________________________
Church: _________________________________
City: _________________________________
Date: _______________________________
TESTIMONY OF THE CIVIL/PROSPECTIVE SPOUSE

Acknowledging that I fully understand the nature of an oath (i.e. the calling upon God to witness the truth of the statements made), I swear that I will tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help me God.

1. Name: ____________________________________________
   Address:_________________________________________
   Phone: Home: ___________________ Cell: ________________
          Work: ___________________ E-mail: ________________
   Date of Birth_________________ Place: ___________________
   Current Religion: ____________________________
   Have you ever been baptized?  ☐ yes ☐ no  Date: __________
   Church/Denomination ______________________________
   Street address, city, state: ___________________________

2. When did you first meet the Petitioner?

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3. Please describe the circumstances under which you met.

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4. Was the Petitioner married to the Respondent at the time you met? Please explain.

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5. Do you know why the Petitioner and the Respondent separated? Please explain.

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6. Did your friendship with the Petitioner contribute in any way to the breakup of the marriage with the Respondent? Please explain.

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7. Have you ever been married? Are you now free to marry in accord with the laws of the Catholic Church? Please explain.

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PROMISES / CAUTIONES FOR THE FAVOR OF THE FAITH

PROMISES OF THE CATHOLIC PARTY

In the presence of the undersigned priest, I hereby promise to practice my faith, and to fulfill to the best of my ability my obligation to have all children who may be born to our marriage baptized in the Catholic Church and carefully raised in the knowledge and practice of the Catholic faith.

(Signed)________________________________

PROMISES OF THE NON-CATHOLIC PARTY

In the presence of the undersigned priest, I hereby promise that I shall permit my spouse to practice the Catholic religion and to fulfill the solemn promise that all the children of our marriage will be baptized and raised only in the Catholic faith.

(Signed) _________________________________

I, the undersigned priest, hereby certify that both parties have freely made the above promises in my presence.

______________________________________
Signature Parish Priest / Deacon
PRINT Name ______________________________
Church: ________________________________ Parish Seal
City: _________________________________

Date: _________________________________
PETITION FOR DISPENSATION FROM DISPARITY OF WORSHIP

MOST HOLY FATHER:

I, ______________________, baptized in (or received into) the Catholic Church,

wish to marry ______________________, who is/was

☐ never baptized
☐ doubtfully baptized
☐ baptized in the Church, but the validity of the baptism is doubtful
☐ Muslim

I ask you to grant a dispensation from the impediment of Disparity of Worship (can. 1086).

I hereby state that I am prepared to remove dangers of falling away from the Catholic faith. I sincerely promise to do all in my power to have all the children baptized and brought up in the Catholic Church.

____________________  ______________
Signature of the Catholic party

I am clearly aware of the obligation of my Catholic spouse to preserve and profess his/her faith, and to do all that is possible to baptize and to educate the children of our marriage in the Catholic Church.

____________________  ______________________
Signature of Other Party

The justifying cause for this Dispensation is the spiritual good of the parties, who seem sincere and otherwise well disposed. The required instructions on the essential ends and properties of marriage have been given. The concern of the Church for marriages between Catholic and non-baptized persons has been discussed with both parties, yet the difficulties do not seem insurmountable. There appears to be no unusual danger to the faith of the Catholic party.

____________________  ______________
Signature of Priest/Deacon/Parish Minister  Parish

PRINT ______________________  ______________________
Name of Priest/Deacon/Parish Minister  Parish Address

____________________  ______________  ______________
Date  Telephone  City/State/Zip

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# PERMISSION FOR MIXED MARRIAGE

## ROMAN CATHOLIC PARTY

| Last name: ______________________ | First name: ______________________ |
| Middle name: ____________________ | Religious denomination: ____________ |

## BAPTIZED NON-CATHOLIC PARTY

| Last name: ______________________ | First name: ______________________ |
| Middle name: ____________________ | |

### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CATHOLIC PARTY:

I hereby state that I am prepared to remove dangers of falling away from the Catholic faith. I sincerely promise to do all in my power to have all the children baptized and brought up in the Catholic Church.

____________________________________
Signature of the Catholic Party

### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE NON-CATHOLIC PARTY:

I am clearly aware of the obligation of my Catholic spouse to preserve and profess his/her faith, and to do all that is possible to baptized and to educate the children of our marriage in the Catholic Church.

____________________________________
Signature of the non-Catholic Party

### NOTE:

If the fact of baptism of the non-Catholic party is doubtful, or if the validity of the baptism in a non-Catholic Christian church or ecclesial community is doubtful, a dispensation from Disparity of Worship is to be sought from the Most Reverend Archbishop.

I hereby certify that the required instructions on the essential ends and properties of marriage have been given. The concern of the Church for mixed marriage has been discussed with both parties; however, the difficulties do not seem insurmountable. There appears to be no unusual danger to the faith of the Catholic party. In accordance with the faculties given by the Archbishop and the norms of Canons 1124 and 1125 or the Code of Canon Law, I hereby grant to the parties named above permission to celebrate a mixed marriage.

____________________________________
Signature of Priest/Deacon/Parish Minister

Parish

PRINT Name of Priest/Deacon/Parish Minister

Parish Address

____________________________________
Date

Telephone

City/State/Zip
PRE-NUPPTIAL INQUIRY

The Bride & Groom must be interviewed separately by the priest or deacon. The priest or deacon is required to prose and write the answers to the following questions. This is a confidential Church document and should be kept in a secured file with other such documents.

GROOM

The priest or deacon, having reminded the groom of the sacred character and binding force of an oath, will ask the groom the following questions:

Do you solemnly swear to tell the truth and nothing but the truth in answering the questions that shall be asked, so help you God? ________________

1. Full Legal Name: ________________________________________________
   Present Address: ________________________________________________
   How long have you lived at this address? ____________ Home Phone: ____________________
   Occupation: ___________________________ Work Phone: ________________

2. Date and place of your birth? ______________________________________
   Father’s Name: ________________________________________________
   Mother’s Maiden Name: _________________________________________
   Religion: ________________

3. Were you ever baptized? ____________ If so, in what religion? ____________
   Date of baptism: ___________________ Church of Baptism: ________________
   City, State, Country: ____________________________________________
   (Note: If baptized Catholic, the groom should present a copy of his baptismal certificate. If baptized in another Christian church, a copy of the baptismal certificate should be secured if at all possible.)

4. What religion do you presently practice? _____________________________

   Questions 5,6,7 are to be asked of Catholic only

5. First Holy Communion: Yes _____ No _____ Church: ________________

6. Confirmation: Yes _____ No _____ Date: ____________________________
   Church of Confirmation: ____________________________________________

7. To what parish do you presently belong? ____________________________
   How would you describe the practice of your religion? ________________

8. What are the names and addresses of two persons (preferably parents or relatives) who could testify to your freedom to marry: ____________________________________________

9. Have you ever been married or attempted marriage, even civilly, or lived in a common law union? ________________
   If so, how many times? _________ If there are any prior union(s) the following questions also need to be asked.
   Name(s) of former spouse(s): ________________________________
   Was/were this/these union(s) ended by death? ____________ (If so, the death certificate(s) must be submitted.)
   If ended by divorce, has the Catholic Church issued any declaration of nullity or ecclesiastical dissolution for the union(s)? ____________ (If yes, the ecclesiastical decree(s) must be presented.)
   If so, are you fulfilling your legal and moral obligations to the child/children? __________
   Is your intended spouse aware of these obligations? __________

11. Has your intended spouse ever been married or attempted marriage, even a civil marriage, or lived in a common law union? __________
   If so, how many times? __________
   (If the bride has had any former union(s), she is to be asked fuller details during her interview.)
   (If the answer “Yes” is given to questions 12 through 15, please obtain details and consult the Archdiocese.)

12. Are you and your intended spouse related by blood (as first cousins or closer) or by a legal relationship (in-laws)? __________
   If so, please describe the relationship: ______________________________________________________________

13. Do you or your intended spouse suffer from any of the following:
   a) a serious physical disease or other health problem that could create difficulties in your marriage? __________
   b) a significant psychological impairment? __________
   c) alcohol or other substance abuse? __________
   If yes, please give details: _______________________________________________________________________

14. Is any person or circumstance (e.g. parental pressure, pregnancy, etc.) influencing you to enter this marriage or forcing you to do so against your will? __________
   Is any person or circumstance influencing the bride to enter this marriage or forcing her to marry against her will? __________

15. Are you attaching any conditions, restrictions, or reservations of any kind to your consent to this marriage? __________
   Have you entered any type of prenuptial agreement? __________
   If “yes” to either, please explain: _______________________________________________________________________
   (If the answer “No” is given to question 16 through 18, please obtain details and consult the Archdiocese.)

16. Do you intend to enter a permanent marriage that can be dissolved only by death? __________

17. Do you intend to be faithful to your wife always? __________

18. Do you understand that one of the purposes of marriage is the begetting and rearing of children, God willing? __________
   Do you intend to accept and fulfill this aspect of marriage? __________
   Does your intended bride accept and intend to fulfill this aspect of marriage? __________

19. How long have you known your intended spouse? __________
   How long have you been engaged? __________

20. Is there any major fact about your, either in the present or the past, which you have not made known to your proposed spouse and which might affect her willingness to marry you? __________
   If so, what is that fact? _______________________________________________________________________

21. Has any close family member raised any objections to this marriage? __________
   If so, please describe the nature of those objections: _______________________________________________________________________

Signature of Groom: __________________________
Date: __________________________

Church: ________________________________________________________________________
Place: __________________________

Signature of Priest/Deacon: __________________________
Please Append Church Seal
PRE-NUPial INqUiry

The Bride & Groom must be interviewed separately by the priest or deacon. The priest or deacon is required to prose and write the answers to the following questions. This is a confidential Church document and should be kept in a secured file with other such documents.

BRIDE

The priest or deacon, having reminded the bride of the sacred character and binding force of an oath, will ask the bride the following questions:

Do you solemnly swear to tell the truth and nothing but the truth in answering the questions that shall be asked, so help you God? ________________

1. Full Legal Name: ________________________________________________________________
   Present Address: __________________________________________________________________
   How long have you lived at this address? ___________________ Home Phone: ___________________
   Occupation: ___________________________________________ Work Phone: ____________________

2. Date and place of your birth?
   Father’s Name: ___________________ Religion: ___________________
   Mother’s Maiden Name: ___________________ Religion: ___________________

3. Were you ever baptized? ___________ If so, in what religion? ___________________________
   Date of baptism: ___________________ Church of Baptism: _________________________________
   City, State, Country: ________________________________________________________________
   (Note: If baptized Catholic, the bride should present a copy of his baptismal certificate. If baptized in another Christian church, a copy of the baptismal certificate should be secured if at all possible.)

4. What religion do you presently practice? ________________________________

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   Is your intended spouse aware of these obligations? ____________

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14. Is any person or circumstance (e.g. parental pressure, pregnancy, etc.) influencing you to enter this marriage or forcing you to do
    so against your will? ____________ Is any person or circumstance influencing the groom to enter this marriage or forcing his to
    marry against her will? ____________

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    which might affect his willingness to marry you? ____________
    If so, what is that fact? ________________________________________________________________

21. Has any close family member raised any objections to this marriage? ____________
    If so, please describe the nature of those objections: ________________________________________________________________

Signature of Bride: ___________________________________________ Date: __________________________
Church: ___________________________________________________ Place: __________________________
Signature of Priest/Deacon: ___________________________________ Please Append Church Seal