



TRIBUNAL

Diocese of Beaumont

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PETITION (LIBELLUS) FOR DECLARATION OF NULLITY BECAUSE OF PREVIOUS BOND (LIGAMEN)

PETITIONER TESTIMONY

Date: _____

Case: _____
(Petitioner) (Respondent)

Do you fully understand the nature of an oath and solemnly swear before God that you will tell the truth, the whole truth, to the best of your knowledge and beliefs?

☐ Yes ☐ No (Place a ✓ in appropriate box)

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The following documents must be submitted with this petition:
 - a. A certified copy of the marriage license and final divorce decree for the marriage of the Petitioner with the Respondent.
 - b. A certified copy of the marriage license and final divorce decree for the **previous marriage(s)**.

(If any of the above documents are unavailable, please consult with the Tribunal.)
2. Please include maiden names where applicable.
3. Before submitting your petition to the Tribunal, **be sure to date and sign** the form in the appropriate places.

I, _____, henceforth known as the Petitioner, present this petition to the Tribunal of the Diocese of Beaumont for a declaration of nullity of my marriage with _____, the Respondent, which I contend was null and void from the beginning because of:

_____ (Her) _____ (His) Previous marriage (s) .

PETITIONER'S INFORMATION:

Last name (maiden name) Present legal name First name Middle name Date of birth

Your Street Address City State Zip code

Telephone number (Home) (Work)

1. Were you ever, or are you at present a Roman Catholic? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "yes", when were you baptized a Catholic? _____

Where were you baptized a Catholic? _____

Names of your god-parents _____

2. If you are not a Catholic, have you ever been baptized, christened, or sprinkled in any religion?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If "yes", in what religion? _____ Date: _____

Where were you baptized, christened, sprinkled? _____

How old were you at the time? _____

Witnesses of your baptism:

a. Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone number (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Relationship: _____

b. Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone number (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Relationship: _____

3. **Concerning YOUR previous marriages:** How many? _____

Please list **all** of **your marriages chronologically** and use the **maiden name** if applicable:

1st spouse's name: _____	
Date of marriage: _____	Officiant at marriage: _____
Place/city of marriage: _____	
Was spouse # 1 ever a Catholic? _____	
Was spouse # 1 married before? _____	
Is spouse # 1 still living? _____	

2nd spouse's name: _____	
Date of marriage: _____	Officiant at marriage: _____
Place/city of marriage: _____	
Was spouse # 2 ever a Catholic? _____	
Was spouse # 2 married before? _____	
Was spouse # 1 still alive at the time of this 2nd marriage? _____	
Is spouse # 2 still living? _____	

3rd spouse's name: _____	
Date of marriage: _____	Officiant at marriage: _____
Place/city of marriage: _____	
Was spouse # 3 ever a Catholic? _____	
Was spouse # 3 married before? _____	
Was spouse # 2 still alive at the time of this 3rd marriage? _____	
Is spouse # 3 still living? _____	

RESPONDENT'S INFORMATION:

Last name (maiden name) Present legal name First name Middle initial Date of birth

Street Address City State Zip code

Telephone number (Home) _____ (Work) _____

4. Was the Respondent ever, or at present a Roman Catholic? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "yes", when was the Respondent baptized a Catholic? _____

Where was the Respondent baptized a Catholic? _____

Names of his/her god-parents _____

5. If the Respondent is not a Catholic, was he/she ever baptized, christened, or sprinkled in any religion? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "yes", in what religion? _____ Date: _____

Where was he/she baptized, christened, sprinkled? _____

How old was he/she at the time? _____

If possible, please give the names of witnesses of his/her baptism:

6. Concerning **RESPONDENT'S** previous marriages (**BEFORE** marrying you):

Please list **all** of the Respondent's marriages **chronologically** and use the **maiden name** if applicable:

1st spouse's name:	_____	Religion:	_____
Date of marriage:	_____	Officiant at marriage:	_____
Place/city of marriage:	_____		
Was spouse # 1 married before?	_____	Is spouse # 1 still living?	_____
How do you know this?	_____		
Present name/address of spouse # 1:	_____		

2nd spouse's name:	_____	Religion:	_____
Date of marriage:	_____	Officiant at marriage:	_____
Place/city of marriage:	_____		
Was spouse # 2 married before?	_____	Was spouse # 1 still alive at the time of this 2nd marriage?	_____
Is 2nd spouse still living?	_____	How do you know this?	_____
Present name/address of spouse # 2:	_____		

3rd spouse's name:	_____	Religion:	_____
Date of marriage:	_____	Officiant at marriage:	_____
Place/city of marriage:	_____		
Was spouse # 3 married before?	_____	Was spouse # 2 still alive at the time of this 3rd marriage?	_____
Is 3rd spouse still living?	_____	How do you know this?	_____
Present name/address of spouse # 3:	_____		

7. Concerning children born of this marriage:

- a. How many children were born of your marriage with the Respondent?
- b. Who has custody of these children?
- c. Are the civil and moral obligations toward these children being observed (e.g., child support)? ☐ Yes ☐ No. If "no", please explain in detail.

8. Concerning witnesses to the fact(s) of previous marriage(s):

I submit the **following names of people I have contacted**, who are willing to testify about (my) (the Respondent's) previous marriage(s). These are not character witnesses, but know me, my former spouse, and know of (my) (the Respondent's) previous marriage(s).

a. Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone number (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Relation: _____

b. Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone number (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Relation: _____

9. Concerning future spouse:

a. What is the name of the person you now wish to marry? _____

b. Religion of your intended spouse: _____

c. Present marital status of your intended spouse:

_____ never married _____ previously married -- _____ times

_____ widowed _____ annulment granted

_____ companion case included _____ pending case in the Tribunal

10. Do you solemnly swear that the above statements are true and correct, to the best of your knowledge and belief?

Please indicate "yes" or "no": _____

Signature of Petitioner

Date

AUDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS ABOUT THE PETITIONER'S CREDIBILITY

Signature of Auditor

Today's date