

DIOCESE OF WHEELING-CHARLESTON
PRE-NUPTIAL INVESTIGATION

Marriage of
and

Groom

Bride

Parish of Marriage and Address

General Information

Date and Hour of Marriage _____

Banns to be announced

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

Parish of Groom notified of banns _____

Dispensation required _____

Witness of Marriage 1) _____
2) _____

QUESTIONNAIRE

THE BRIDE

1. Do you swear to tell the truth in answer to the following questions? _____

2. Name _____ Birth Date _____

Place of Birth _____ Occupation _____

Address _____
(Street and Number) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Phone _____

Is your present address your home address? _____

If not, give home address _____

Within what parish do you reside? _____ Length of residence _____

Have you lived elsewhere for six months or more since the age of sixteen? _____ If yes, check Form MB-84

3. What is your church affiliation? _____ Are you an active member? _____

4. Are you baptized? _____ If yes, when? _____ where? _____

5. Father's Name _____ Religion (Rite) _____

Mother's Maiden Name _____ Religion (Rite) _____

6. (For persons under 18 years of age) Have you secured the consent of your parents or guardians for this marriage? _____ If not, why not? (See Form MB-84, Question 11) _____

IF PARTY IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE SEE FORM MB-84, QUESTIONS 11-17

7. Have you ever been married before (in church, civilly, or by common law)? _____ if yes, give NAMES of all persons with whom you have gone through a marriage ceremony; State BEFORE WHOM, WHEN and WHERE _____

(Priest will use separate sheet for this Information and attach to questionnaire.)

Did marriage bond cease? _____ By Death? _____ By Annulment? _____ Present attempted marriage to be Validated? _____

(Marriage certificates, Death certificates, and/or declaration of nullity certificates should be attached for each marriage. These become part of the permanent record of marriage. Authentic copies are acceptable)

Are obligations toward a former spouse or children of a previous marriage being met? _____

8. Has your intended spouse been in a previously marriage? _____ If yes, give NAMES of all persons with whom he has gone through a marriage ceremony; state BEFORE WHOM, WHEN AND WHERE. _____

If yes, after prudent and discrete investigation concerning the possibility of the impediment of crime (cooperation in causing the death of the spouse), the priest will note the results of the investigation here _____:

9. Are you related to your intended spouse by blood? ___ valid marriage? ___ adoption? ___ common law marriage? ___

10. If Catholic, have you ever made a religious profession? _____

(The interviewing priest shall indicate the impediment of impotence and inquire whether either party has ever suffered from any mental or emotional disturbance, and shall then ask) To the best of your knowledge, are you or your intended spouse bound by any of these obstacles to marriage?

11. Do you intend: (a) To enter a life-long union? _____

(b) To be faithful to each other for life? _____

(c) To give each other the normal rights of marriage necessary to have children? _____

12. Are you being forced in any way to enter this marriage? _____

13. Are you entering this marriage with reservation? ___ If yes, explain: _____

Signature of the Bride

On this ___ day of _____, 20___, appeared before me the person whose signature is affixed above in testimony of the truth to the answers she gave, I know of no other facts that would be an obstacle in this marriage.

Signature of Examining Priest

(PARISH SEAL)

Parish _____ Place _____
DELEGATION OF A PRIEST TO ASSIST AT A MARRIAGE IN YOUR PARISH
I, the undersigned (Pastor, Associate, Deacon), hereby delegate

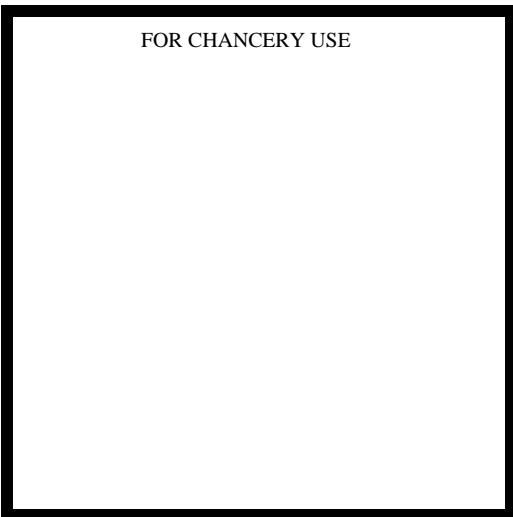
in accordance with Canon 1111, No.2, to assist within the limits of my parish, the marriage of the parties designated in this questionnaire.

Signature of Priest/Deacon

Date _____ Parish _____ Place _____
PERMISSION FOR ANOTHER PRIEST TO ASSIST AT A MARRIAGE OF YOUR PARISHIONER IN ANOTHER PARISH
I, the pastor of the above-designated party, hereby attest that she/he is free to marry, and grant permission to any duly authorized priest servatis de jure servandis to assist at her/his marriage outside my parish.

Signature of Priest

Date _____ Parish _____ Place _____



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Made a vow of receiving Sacred Orders? _____ Received Sacred Orders? _____

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SUPPLEMENTARY OATH

To be taken by one or both spouses (separately) who cannot establish their free status either for the entire life or certain periods of life. Having given my testimony in this document, and being unable, either by documents, or witnesses, to establish my free status over the period of my life, I _____
with my hand upon the Holy Bible and mindful of the obligation to tell the truth in this serious matter, swear and avow that I am free to marry.

Signature of the Groom

Signature of Bride

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence on the _____ day of _____ 20_____

FOR CHANCERY USE

Signature of Priest

Parish _____ Place _____

NIHL OBSTATE is required.

1-If one of the parties is from another Diocese.

2-If one or both parties to marriage are vagi.

Note: The instructions of the Sacred Congregation of the Sacraments (1941) on the Canonical Examination required before marriage make the following procedure obligatory when one of the principals is from OUTSIDE the diocese. The bride's pastor (presuming the marriage takes place before the bride's pastor, otherwise vice versa) requests the groom's pastor to fill out the "Exam Pro Sponso" and to procure the necessary documents (baptismal certificates, affidavits, if necessary) and to have these all sent to the groom's Chancery for the Testimonial Letter. All documents for the groom including the testimonial letter are to be returned by the groom's Chancery directly to the bride's pastor. These documents received by the bride's pastor, together with all documents pertaining to the bride are sent by the bride's pastor to his own Chancery for the Nihil Obstat.

This interrogatory and pertinent documents must be kept permanently on file in the parish where the marriage takes place. On request, it is to be sent to the competent ecclesiastical Court whenever the validity of marriage is questioned.