

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON
AFFIDAVIT REGARDING THE FREE STATUS OF BRIDE OR GROOM

Instructions for completing

Please type into fillable PDF form or print clearly with pen.

All questions must be answered completely; all boxes filled in.

This form must be signed and sealed in the presence of a church notary or public notary.

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Return completed forms to:

Church: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
E-Mail: _____

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WITNESS FOR _____
who wishes to marry _____

OATH "I SWEAR BEFORE ALMIGHTY GOD to tell the truth and nothing but the truth in answering the questions which shall be submitted to me."

1. Your full name _____
2. Are you related to the above-mentioned party? _____
 - a. If so, how are you related? _____
3. How long have you known him (her)? _____
4. As far as you know or have heard, has he (she) ever been married at any time in his (her) life whether by a priest, minister, rabbi, civil official, or even Common Law?
 - a. If so, how many times? _____
 - b. Name of spouse _____
 - c. Place of marriage _____
 - d. Approximate date _____
 - e. Before whom (a priest, minister, Justice of Peace, etc.)? _____
5. As far as you know, do both parties intend to enter a permanent marriage, lasting until death? _____
6. As far as you know, do both the father and the mother (guardian) of the party approve of this marriage? (If not, please state their objections on reverse side.) _____
7. As far as you know, is there anything which would render this marriage unlawful or invalid? _____
8. Do you know of any reason why this couple should not get married? _____
If so, please explain. _____
9. Is any person or circumstance forcing the bride or groom to marry against his or her will? _____
If so, please explain. _____

Church or Notary Public
Seal

SIGNATURE of person giving testimony _____

Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 2_____

Signature of priest or minister or notary public _____

Parish _____

City, State _____

For notary public: My commission expires _____

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE: FOR CHANCERY USE ONLY

Visum est _____

Date _____

Chancellor

Chancery Seal

Place Arlington, VA _____