

THE DIOCESE OF QUINCY
4911 N. Knoxville Ave.
Peoria, Illinois 61614

APPLICATION TO THE BISHOP OF QUINCY FOR A JUDGMENT
AS TO MARITAL STATUS IN THE EYES OF THE CHURCH

I. CONCERNING THE PETITION IN THIS APPLICATION:

_____ This is an application for a judgment as to the marital status of the petitioner, who does not now contemplate a marriage.

_____ This is an application for a judgment as to the marital status of the petitioner, who now contemplates a marriage.

II. CONCERNING THE PETITIONER: Applicant is always the person who has been previously married, who may or may not be the communicant in the parish. If both parties were formerly married, a separate application must be made for both.

Full Name _____

Address _____

Birthdate _____ Baptism date _____ Confirmation Date _____

III CONCERNING THE FORMER MARRIAGE

1. Names of contracting parties: (Husband) _____
(Wife's Maiden Name) _____

2. Date of Marriage _____ Place _____

3. Officiant of Wedding _____

4. Date of Decree ending marriage _____
(Application not accepted until six months after Decree is final)

5. State ages at time of marriage: Husband _____ Wife _____

6. Religious status of both parties at time of previous marriage:

(a) Husband _____ Wife _____

(b) Were the parties Baptized persons? Husband _____ Wife _____

7. If children were born of this marriage, state names, sexes, and present ages:

8. How long did the parties know each other before marriage? _____
9. How long engaged? _____ How long separated before divorce? _____
10. Was there a sincere attempt to preserve this marriage? _____

11. Was a Minister's counsel sought to this end? _____

12. Was any other professional counsel sought? _____ What kind? _____

13. Did the parties receive instruction before marriage? _____

14. What grounds for divorce were cited in the Civil Decree? _____

15. Were these the real cause? _____ If not, what was the real cause? _____

16. What is the present name and address of the former spouse? _____

17. Has he/she since remarried? _____ Had children? _____

18. Has the petitioner attempted to inform the former spouse of this application?
Yes _____ No _____

IV. CONCERNING A CONTEMPLATED MARRIAGE: Omit this section if a marriage is not now contemplated. If a marriage is contemplated or to be blessed, indicate by a check mark which of the following statements applies in this case?

_____ The Petitioner desires to have his/her contemplated marriage solemnized by a Minister of this Church.

_____ The petitioner desires the church's blessing upon his/her existing marriage.

1. Name of person the petitioner desires to marry _____

2. Birthdate _____ Baptism date _____ Confirmation Date _____

3. Address _____

4. Church affiliation of person _____

VII. ATTESTATIONS:

I do believe that the above statements and all other statements in the documents attached to this application are true to the best of my knowledge, God being my helper.

Signature of the Petitioner

I do believe that the above statements and all other statements in the documents attached to this application are true to the best of my knowledge, God being my helper.

Signature of the Priest

Rector, Vicar, Priest in Charge, Dean, Canon

Church

Place

Date _____

Priest: I would gladly officiate _____ Yes _____ No _____ Indifferent

VIII. Attach a letter from the divorced applicant(s) to the Bishop indicating why the applicant(s) seeks to have the marriage blessed by the church, and why he/she believe that this will be a successful marriage.