



Province of Chicago
PRENUPTIAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Diocese of Joliet

Each of the parties should be interviewed SEPARATELY and under oath. Please print the information and answer all the questions, even if you know the parties well. A recent baptismal certificate is required for each Catholic party. Certificates are to be originals with parish seals, not photocopies.

FOR CHANCERY USE ONLY

Groom _____ Bride _____
Legal Name Legal Name

Place of proposed marriage _____ Date of proposed marriage _____

Witnesses _____ and _____

Priest/Deacon arranging the marriage _____

Priest/Deacon witnessing the marriage _____

Delegation (if needed) given by _____ Date given _____

GROOM

Name _____ Social Security Number _____

Address _____
Street Apt. No.

City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date and place of birth _____ Occupation _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Religion _____ Rite (if other than Latin) _____

Date of baptism _____ Place _____
Church City State

Date of confirmation _____ Place _____
Church City State

Father's name _____ Religion _____ Rite _____

Mother's maiden name _____ Religion _____ Rite _____

Parish in which you now reside (for Catholic parties) _____ Length of residence _____

- How long have you known each other? _____ How long engaged? _____
- Do you regularly participate in the practice of your faith?Yes _____ No* _____
- Have you ever been married before (either in church, civilly, or by common law)?Yes* _____ No _____
(If "yes," please give complete information on reverse side. A civil marriage being validated should also be indicated.)
- Are you related to your fiancée by blood, marriage, or legal adoption?Yes* _____ No _____
(If "yes," please submit a diagram or explanation of the relationship.)
- Are there any canonical impediments to your marriage (age, sacred orders, public perpetual vow of chastity, crime, public propriety, impotence?)Yes* _____ No _____
- Have you seriously reflected on the obligations of a marital commitment and judged yourself capable of fulfilling them?Yes _____ No* _____
- Have you or your fiancée experienced or been treated for any mental or emotional difficulty or any alcohol or chemical dependency?Yes* _____ No _____

8. Do you understand the nature and obligations of marriage and do you agree, without any condition or reservation:

- a) to enter a marriage that is for life:..... Yes _____ No* _____
- b) to give your spouse the right to have children;..... Yes _____ No* _____
- c) to accept the obligation of being faithful to your spouse;..... Yes _____ No* _____
- d) to give your consent freely and without force of any kind?..... Yes _____ No* _____

9. To the best of your knowledge, is your fiancée making this same commitment? Yes _____ No* _____

10. (for a person under 18) Do your parents consent to this marriage?..... Yes _____ No* _____

11. Do you swear to the truth of the statements you have made?..... Yes _____ No* _____

Signature of Groom

Date

If an answer appears where an asterisk () occurs, please give an explanation for the answer. Indicate the number of the question to which your comments are directed and use additional sheets of paper if necessary: _____

I, the undersigned priest/deacon, declare that the groom whose signature is affixed above appeared before me personally on the date given above; that I proposed to him individually all of the above questions under oath and personally recorded the answers given; that no one else was present during the questions; that I have on file all necessary documents; and that the groom has been instructed in accord with the law of the Church.

Signature of Priest/Deacon

Place

PREVIOUS MARRIAGE(S) OF GROOM

With whom?

(1) _____

Date of marriage?

(1) _____

Place (name of church or other site) where marriage was celebrated, as well as the city and state.

(1) _____

Before whom? (title of religious minister or civil official)

(1) _____

Is this marriage to be validated?

(1) _____

If the marriage was valid, how did the bond of marriage cease?

(1) _____

If a former spouse is dead, give date of death and include death certificate.

(1) _____

If a former marriage was dissolved or declared null by the Church, the official document from the Church court must be presented to the Chancery with these forms and its protocol number given here.

(1) _____

Did such a declaration of nullity indicate any restrictions on your freedom to enter a new marriage?

(1) _____

How are the natural obligations, arising from this prior union, toward another party or toward children being met? (c. 1071, 1,3°)

(1) _____

With whom?

(2) _____

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BRIDE

Name _____ Social Security Number _____

Address _____
Street _____ Apt. No. _____

City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date and place of birth _____ Occupation _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Religion _____ Rite (if other than Latin) _____

Date of baptism _____ Place _____
Church _____ City _____ State _____

Date of confirmation _____ Place _____
Church _____ City _____ State _____

Father's name _____ Religion _____ Rite _____

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Parish in which you now reside (for Catholic parties) _____ Length of residence _____

1. How long have you known each other? _____ How long engaged? _____
2. Do you regularly participate in the practice of your faith? Yes _____ No* _____
3. Have you ever been married before (either in church, civilly, or by common law)? Yes* _____ No _____
(If "yes," please give complete information on reverse side. A civil marriage being validated should also be indicated.)
4. Are you related to your fiancé by blood, marriage, or legal adoption? Yes* _____ No _____
(If "yes," please submit a diagram or explanation of the relationship.)
5. Are there any canonical impediments to your marriage (age, sacred orders, public perpetual vow of chastity, crime, public propriety, impotence?) Yes* _____ No _____
6. Have you seriously reflected on the obligations of a marital commitment and judged yourself capable of fulfilling them? Yes _____ No* _____
7. Have you or your fiancé experienced or been treated for any mental or emotional difficulty or any alcohol or chemical dependency? Yes* _____ No _____
8. Do you understand the nature and obligations of marriage and do you agree, without any condition or reservation:
 - a) to enter a marriage that is for life; Yes _____ No* _____
 - b) to give your spouse the right to have children; Yes _____ No* _____
 - c) to accept the obligation of being faithful to your spouse; Yes _____ No* _____
 - d) to give your consent freely and without force of any kind? Yes _____ No* _____
9. To the best of your knowledge, is your fiancé making this same commitment? Yes _____ No* _____
10. (for a person under 18) Do your parents consent to this marriage? Yes _____ No* _____
11. Do you swear to the truth of the statements you have made? Yes _____ No* _____

Signature of Bride _____

Date _____

If an answer appears where an asterisk () occurs, please give an explanation for the answer. Indicate the number of the question to which your comments are directed and use additional sheets of paper if necessary: _____

I, the undersigned priest/deacon, declare that the bride whose signature is affixed above appeared before me personally on the date given above; that I proposed to her individually all of the above questions under oath and personally recorded the answers given; that no one else was present during the questions; that I have on file all necessary documents; and that the bride has been instructed in accord with the law of the Church.

Signature of Priest/Deacon

Place

PREVIOUS MARRIAGE(S) OF BRIDE

With whom?

(1) _____

Date of marriage?

(1) _____

Place (name of church or other site) where marriage was celebrated, as well as the city and state

(1) _____

Before whom? (title of religious minister or civil official)

(1) _____

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(1) _____

With whom?

(2) _____

(2) _____

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(2) _____

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CERTIFICATION WHEN OFFERED BY PRIEST/DEACON

A priest/deacon may certify the correct intention and freedom to marry of the groom and/or bride by signing below. In this event, other witnesses are not required.

The undersigned is morally certain of the freedom to marry and the correct intention of _____

and/or _____ whose signature(s) appear on this form. This certainty I have from my own personal knowledge

or from personal investigation. Parents have been consulted for persons under 18 years of age.

Signature of Priest/Deacon