



DIOCESE OF CHEYENNE

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OFFICE OF THE TRIBUNAL

**AFFADAVIT CONCERNING THE FREEDOM TO MARRY**

(An Affidavit for each Party is required for every marriage.)

**This completed form and all correspondence should be sent to the Priest or Deacon named below, who is arranging the marriage:**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
PARISH: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

**For the Marriage of**

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
GROOM (Print Full Name) BRIDE (Print Full Name)

**AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS FOR:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME OF GROOM OR BRIDE)

**This form is normally to be completed by a Catholic priest, deacon or pastoral minister, who will pose the questions and write the given answer. The witness is to be interviewed in person.**

**The interviewer, having reminded the witness of the sacred character and binding force of an oath, will ask: "Do you solemnly swear to tell the truth and nothing but the truth in answering the questions that shall be proposed to you, so help you God?"**

**Indicate the witness' response to the oath:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Your full name? \_\_\_\_\_  
Address? \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
Best Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (Type: Home, Cell, Work)
- What is your relationship to the person named above? \_\_\_\_\_
- How long have you known this person? \_\_\_\_\_ How well? \_\_\_\_\_
- Has this person ever gone through any type of marriage ceremony or common law union with someone other than his/her intended spouse?  Yes  No  
How many times? \_\_\_\_\_ With whom? \_\_\_\_\_  
Do these marriages still exist? \_\_\_\_\_
- Is this person related to the other party to this intended marriage?  Yes  No  
If yes, in what way? \_\_\_\_\_

6. To your knowledge, is this person entering this marriage freely?  Yes  No  
 To your knowledge, does this person intend to enter a lifelong union?  Yes  No  
 To your knowledge, does this person intend to be faithful for life to the other party?  Yes  No  
 To your knowledge, does this person intend to have children with the other party?  Yes  No

If you answered "No" to any part of questions 6, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

7. Do you know of any reason why this person should not marry the other party?  Yes  No

If "Yes," please explain. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**TO ESTABLISH BAPTISM OR NON-BAPTISM**

8. Was this person ever baptized?  Yes  No If "Yes," in what religion? \_\_\_\_\_

If baptized in the Catholic Church, in which Rite? \_\_\_\_\_

When? \_\_\_\_\_ Name of the Parish/Church? \_\_\_\_\_

City and State: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Were you present?  Yes  No If "No," how do you know of the baptism? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

10. If this person was not baptized, how do you know of the non-baptism? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**WHEN THE PARTY IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE:**

11. Have the parents of this person been consulted about this marriage?  Yes  No

Have they given their consent?  Yes  No

If "No," please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

12. Have you tried to discourage them from marrying?  Yes  No

Why? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there any reason this person feels obliged to marry at this time?  Yes  No

If "Yes," what is the reason? \_\_\_\_\_

13. How do the Parties intend to fulfill their family and financial responsibilities? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**By my signature, I hereby affirm the truth of all the statements I have made on this form:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE OF WITNESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
 PARISH, CITY, STATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE OF INTERVIEWER

(PARISH SEAL)