

**DIOCESE OF LAKE CHARLES**

**LACK OF FORM**  
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**PETITION FOR A DECLARATION OF NULLITY OF MARRIAGE BASED UPON A  
LACK OF CANONICAL FORM**

1. **Concerning Petitioner:** *(Indicate maiden name, if applicable)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Church of your baptism: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_

Religion at time of baptism: \_\_\_\_\_

Current religion: \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Concerning the other party:** *(Indicate maiden name, if applicable)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Church of your baptism: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_

Religion at time of baptism: \_\_\_\_\_

Current religion: \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Concerning the marriage:**

Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City & St: \_\_\_\_\_

Ceremony witnessed by:

Civil Magistrate: \_\_\_\_\_ Registered Common Law: \_\_\_\_\_

Licensed Minister: \_\_\_\_\_ Simple Common Law: \_\_\_\_\_

4. **Concerning the Divorce:**

Court: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Decree #: \_\_\_\_\_

5. **Questions for the Petitioner:**

A. Did you ever have a priest validate (witness) the marriage in question?  
(If yes, please give details as to place, time, etc.)

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B. Is reconciliation with your former spouse possible?

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C. Was a dispensation from canonical form granted?

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D. If any children were born of this relationship, who presently has legal custody?  
How are the children being provided for with regards to their education (secular  
and religious), financially, and socially?

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**I do solemnly swear that the evidence and material presented above are true to the best of my knowledge.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Petitioner**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Initiating Minister**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Church Parish**

*Parish Seal*

Please include with the petition:

1. Recently issued Baptismal Certificate for Catholic party(ies)  
**with notations on the reverse with references to marriage(s).**
2. A copy of the Application for Civil Marriage License
3. A copy of the Divorce Decree