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**PRE-MARRIAGE INVESTIGATION FORM**

**THE GROOM**

Church of Proposed Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Minister/Other Official \_\_\_\_\_

Common Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

Mixed Marriage \_\_\_\_\_ Disparity of Cult Marriage \_\_\_\_\_ Dispensation from Canonical Form \_\_\_\_\_

Permission for Public Form of Celebration \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_

*Each party should be interviewed separately. The Assisting Priest, Deacon, or other deputed person should propose these questions to the Groom and write down his answers. Each question must be given its proper answer.*

1) Assisting Minister to the Groom: *With God as your witness, do you solemnly swear to answer the following questions truthfully?*  
 Yes \_\_\_ If otherwise, please refer the matter to the Tribunal Office.

2) Full Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone/Cell \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Father \_\_\_\_\_ Mother (*maiden name*) \_\_\_\_\_

3) Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Proper Parish \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Baptism \_\_\_\_\_ Church of Baptism \_\_\_\_\_  
 Unbaptized \_\_\_\_\_ Doubtfully/Invalidly Baptized \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Doubtful/Invalid Baptism \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church \_\_\_\_\_  
 Although not strictly required, are you confirmed? (1983 *CIC* c. 1065 §1) Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

4) Have you ever been married? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If yes, how many times? \_\_\_ (*Please answer the following for each previous marriage; attach separate sheet if necessary*)  
 a) In the Catholic Church? \_\_\_ b) In a non-Catholic Church? \_\_\_ c) Civilly? \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_  
 d) To whom? \_\_\_\_\_ e) How did this marriage end? Divorce? \_\_\_ Death \_\_\_ Civil  
 Annulment by the State? \_\_\_ Has nullity of marriage been declared by the Catholic Church? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (*if yes, attach appropriate documentation: marriage certificate, divorce decree, death certificate, ecclesiastical decree of invalidity*).

5) Were children born to this marriage? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If yes, how many? \_\_\_ In the case of minors, do you have primary care of the children? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If yes, is your future spouse aware of this? (cf. 1983 *CIC* cc. 1071, 3° and 1098) Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ She will eventually know \_\_\_ Are you fulfilling all obligations toward them? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_

6) According to the law of the Roman Catholic Church, the presence of an impediment makes a marriage invalid, e.g., prior bond, disparity of cult, antecedent and perpetual impotence, holy orders, public perpetual vow of a religious, public perpetual vow of chastity, consanguinity (direct line and fourth degree of the collateral line). See 1983 *CIC* cc. 1083-1094 for a complete list of matrimonial impediments.

Are there any impediments that would render your proposed marriage invalid? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

7) How long have you known each other? \_\_\_\_\_

8) How long have you been engaged? \_\_\_\_\_

9) Do you freely consent to this marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you free from physical or moral pressure in entering this marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

10) Do you have or are you aware of any physical or psychological defect that may constitute an obstacle to your marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

11) Do you have any form of addiction? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If yes, are you currently resolving the matter? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

12) Do you believe and intend to enter into marriage as a permanent, indissoluble, and exclusive union between a man and a woman? \_\_\_\_\_

13) Do you believe that marriage is of its very nature directed toward many goods, especially the good of the spouses and the procreation and nurturing of children? \_\_\_\_\_

14) Are you or your intended spouse under any force or fear to enter into this marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

15) If under 18 years of age:

a) Are your parents aware of your proposed marriage? \_\_\_\_\_ b) Are they in agreement with its celebration (1983 *CIC* c. 1071, 6°)? \_\_\_\_\_ (If the answer is no, the reasons for the parental objection, especially in regard to age, should be diligently investigated by the assisting minister)

16) From Whom, and Where, will you be receiving pre-marital instruction? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*At this stage, allow the Groom to review his answers, affirm their correctness, or make changes where necessary.*

**CONCLUSION**

Do you wish to add anything to the foregoing? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Groom and Date

Remark of Assisting Priest/Deacon/Minister \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name/Signature/Date

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

*Parish Seal*

If Form is administered outside the Diocese of Baker, authentication by Chancery of the concerned Diocese is required:

*Visum est* \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Chancellor/Other Deputed Person/ Archdiocese or Diocese/Date

*Chancery Seal*