The Roman Catholic Church
Diocese of Tucson

CAN. 1108 §1: Only those marriages are valid which are contracted before the local ordinary, pastor, or a priest or deacon delegated by either of them,...

CAN. 1111 §1: As long as they hold office validly, the local ordinary and the pastor can delegate to priest anddeacons the faculty, even a general one, of assisting at marriages within the limits of their territory. §2. To be valid, the delegation of the faculty to assist at marriages must be given to specific persons expressly. If it concerns special delegation, it must be given for a specific marriage; if it concerns general delegation, it must be given in writing.

DELEGATION OF FACULTY TO WITNESS MARRIAGE

When the marriage is to be witnessed by a priest who is not the pastor or parochial vicar of the parish where the marriage is to be celebrated, or when it is celebrated by a deacon who is not assigned to the parish, the pastor delegates the proper faculty by signing this form:

I, ______________________________ pastor of ______________________________
hereby delegate the Rev. ______________________________ to witness the marriage of ______________________________ and ______________________________
Within the boundaries of the territory of my parish.

Date: ______________________________ Pastor’s Signature

SUBDELEGATION OF FACULTY TO WITNESS MARRIAGE

If for some just reason the pastor is unavailable to delegate the faculty to witness marriage, the parochial vicar or deacon with delegated power for marriages within the boundaries of the parish may sub delegate the faculty to witness marriage.

I, ______________________________ (□ parochial vicar, □ deacon) with delegated faculty for marriages, hereby sub delegate the Rev. ______________________________ to witness the marriage of ______________________________ and ______________________________
Within the boundaries of the parish of: ______________________________

Date: ______________________________ Sub delegator’s Signature