

Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama

Request for Rescript of Permission and/or Dispensation for Marriage

Please fill out legibly and completely. Illegible or incomplete forms will be returned.



Date of Request: _____

Dear Bishop or His Delegate:

Please grant the Permission(s) and/or Dispensation(s) indicated below, in favor of the following couple:

Name of Groom: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Complete Address of Groom: _____

Groom's Religion: _____ Groom Is (check one): Baptized Not Baptized

Name of Bride: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Complete Address of Bride: _____

Bride's Religion: _____ Bride Is (check one): Baptized Not Baptized

Planned Date & Location of Wedding: _____

Permission for Mixed Religion Dispensation from Disparity of Cult *Ad cautelam*
(if baptism of non-Catholic party is uncertain)

Reason(s) for request: Danger of invalid marriage Spiritual welfare of the parties Convalidation

Catholic Party's Declaration and Promise (to be made in the presence of the priest or deacon)

I reaffirm my faith in Jesus Christ and, with God's help, intend to continue living that faith in the Catholic Church. I promise to do all in my power to share the faith I have received with our children by having them baptized and reared as Catholics.

Printed Name & Signature of Catholic Party: _____

Priest or Deacon's Declaration

The required promise and declaration have been made by the Catholic in my presence. The non-Catholic has been informed of this requirement so that it is certain that he/she is aware of the promise and obligation on the part of the Catholic. I am following the Diocesan Marriage Policy and ensuring that the couple receives an adequate preparation for Holy Matrimony.

Printed Name & Signature of Priest/Deacon: _____

Permission for Second Marriage Have obligations to the former spouse been met? Yes No
Attach a photocopy of any and all Death Certificates or Decrees of Nullity concerning prior marriage(s). Are the obligations for financial support being met to dependents from the prior union(s)? Yes No

Dispensation from Canonical Form *The marriage must still be celebrated in a church. For questions, call the Chancellor's Office.*

Name & Address of Non-Catholic Church: _____

Name & Title of Officiant: _____

Reason(s) for request: Family harmony Special relationship with non-Catholic officiant Family connection w/particular church

Printed Name & Signature of Priest/Deacon: _____

Parish Name & Address: _____

Send to: Chancellor's Office • Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama • P.O. Box 12047 • Birmingham, AL 35202-2047
KEEP A PHOTOCOPY FOR YOUR RECORDS. FOR ANY OTHER PERMISSION OR DISPENSATION NOT COVERED BY THIS FORM, CONTACT THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE.