



Diocese of Victoria

Office of the Tribunal

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PETITION FOR RADICAL SANATION *SANATIO IN RADICE*

Please indicate the reason(s) for requesting the *sanatio in radice*:

- Lack of Form: A Catholic married without following canonical form. It is a first marriage for both parties. The Catholic desires to receive the sacraments but the other party refuses to renew consent.
- Defect of Form: Two Catholics are married in the Catholic Church but the minister of marriage fails to get the proper delegation. A sanation can be requested and granted without the couple's knowledge, involvement and/or permission.
- Existence of an Impediment:
 - PRIOR BOND – A Catholic is involved in a marriage where a prior bond of marriage exists for one of the parties. The previous spouse dies or the prior marriage has been declared invalid by an ecclesiastical Tribunal. The Catholic would like to receive the sacraments but the other party refuses to renew consent.
 - DISPARITY OF CULT – A Catholic marries a non-baptized person in a Catholic ceremony but the minister of marriage failed to secure the proper dispensation.
 - OTHER: _____
- The Catholic is concerned about the validity of the marriage but the other party refuses to renew consent.

CATHOLIC PARTY	OTHER PARTY
_____ First & Middle Name _____	
_____ Last Name _____	
_____ Maiden Name _____	
_____ Street Address _____	
_____ City, State, ZIP _____	
_____ Date of Birth _____	
_____ Date of Baptism _____	
_____ Church Where Baptized _____	
_____ Street Address (Church of Baptism) _____	
_____ City, State, ZIP (Church of Baptism) _____	
_____ Parish (include city): _____	

Marriage Ceremony

Date: ____/____/____

Church/Other: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: _____

Name of Presiding Official: _____

Declaration and Promise of the Catholic Party

(This section must be completed if the marriage in question involved a Lack of Form.)

I reaffirm my faith in Jesus Christ and, with God’s help, I intend to continue living that faith in the Catholic Church and am prepared to remove all dangers of defecting from the faith. I promise to do all in my power to share the faith I have received with my children by having them baptized in the Catholic Church and providing a Catholic education for them.

Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Certification (by the priest, deacon or other minister requesting the sanation)

____ I certify that the Catholic party has made the above declaration with the proper intentions.

Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Church: _____ City: _____

Certification of Continued Consent

(by the priest, deacon or other minister requesting the sanation. This section must always be completed.)

____ I certify that the consent of both parties continues to exist. (Either both parties have attested verbally to the fact that the consent continues; or, the parties continue to live in such a way as to make it clear that they consider themselves married and are fulfilling the roles of husband and wife.)

Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Church: _____ City: _____

Most Reverend Bishop:

I hereby request, on behalf of the above-named Catholic party(ies), the radical sanation of this marriage in accordance with Canons 1161-1165 for the reason(s) noted above. All necessary conditions for the granting of a sanation appear to be in order.

This request is submitted for the peace of conscience and spiritual good of the parties.

Priest/Deacon/Pastoral Minister

Parish

Address

Telephone

Date

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION when the marriage in question involves a Lack of Form

- A baptismal certificate for the Catholic party issued within six months of requesting the sanation.
- A certified copy of the marriage certificate.
- Pre-Nuptial Investigation (pre-nuptial paperwork). It must be determined that nothing impedes valid consent.
 - If possible, both parties are to be instructed about the purposes and essential properties of marriage. The Catholic party is to make the required declaration and promise regarding the intentions of remaining faithful and baptizing and raising children in the Church.
 - If the non-Catholic party is unwilling to participate, the Catholic party is to be instructed and make the required declaration and promise.

To request a sanation, send this application along with the baptismal certificate and marriage certificate to the Chancery.

By virtue of faculties granted in accordance with Canon 1165, §2, I hereby grant the above petition and declare said marriage sanated, *servatis de iure servandis*.

Bishop of Victoria/Vicar/Delegate

Date

Notice of Execution (upon return of the granted petition to the submitting minister):

I hereby attest that I have communicated the effects of the above Rescript to the Catholic party(ies). I have also entered the record of this sanation in the Marriage Register of this parish and have seen to its proper notation in his/her/their baptismal record(s).

Signature of Submitting Priest/Deacon/Pastoral Minister

Date

- In accordance with Canon 1164 and in light of the serious reasons presented in the above petition, the effects of this Rescript are not being communicated to them.

Please return a copy of the Notice of Execution to the Office of the Tribunal by faxing to 361-827-7176.