DIOCESE OF WORCESTER

PETITION FOR MARRIAGE DISPENSATIONS AND PERMISSIONS
(Please type or print legibly all requested information.)

To the Most Reverend Bishop:

__________________________________________________________ Age
residing at

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a non-Catholic, baptized / not baptized / doubtfully baptized in the Church or Ecclesial Community, humbly petitions your Excellency to grant:
(Please check all that apply.)

_____Permission for Mixed Religion (canon 1124) [Please include baptismal record of the non-Catholic party.]

_____Dispensation from Disparity of Cult (canon 1086, §1)

_____Permission for Extraordinary Place of Marriage [Marriage before a Catholic priest or deacon but not in a Catholic church or chapel.] (canon 1118, §§1-2)

_____Consanguinity in the 4th degree [First cousins] (canon 1091, §2)

_____Permission for marriage with a person who has publicly rejected the Catholic faith (canon 1071, §1, 4°)

_____Dispensation from Affinity (canon 1092)

_____Dispensation from Public Propriety (canon 1093)

_____Dispensation from Canonical Form (canon 1127, §2)

If a Dispensation from Canonical Form or Permission for Extraordinary Place of Marriage are requested, please complete the following:

Where will the marriage be celebrated?

__________________________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________

Date: __________________________ Officiant: ________________________
Please check all canonical reasons that apply for the granting of the requested Dispensations/Permissions.

_____ Spiritual welfare of the Catholic party
_____ Well founded hope that the non-Catholic party will become a Catholic
_____ Family harmony
_____ Danger of invalid marriage celebrated outside of the Church
_____ Danger of Apostasy or Schism if dispensation/permission is denied
_____ Non-Catholic wishes to marry in his/her Church
_____ Convalidation of an invalid marriage attempted outside of the Catholic church
_____ Other (Please specify)

DECLARATION AND PROMISE OF CATHOLIC PARTY (canon 1125)

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 any children by having them baptized and reared as Catholics.

ATTESTATION OF PRIEST OR DEACON

The required promise and declaration have been made by the Catholic party in my presence. The non-Catholic party has been informed that the Catholic party has this serious obligation. The required instructions will be given before the marriage.

Chancery Use:
Granted by: ___________________________  
Date: ______________________________

Signature of Priest/Deacon

Name and address of church

Date