



# Prenuptial Investigation

## Diocese of Covington

YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PRINT**

### GROOM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Full Middle Name) (Last)

RELIGION: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

### BRIDE

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Full Middle Name) (Maiden) (Last)

RELIGION: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

### WEDDING CEREMONY

PRIEST  
DEACON  
OR MINISTER: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) (First) (Initial) (Last)

CHURCH NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ STREET: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

REHEARSAL: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ WEDDING: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Full Middle Name) (Last)

WITNESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Full Middle Name) (Last)

### VALIDATION

CIVIL WEDDING  
DATE: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ OFFICIAL: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

(Check Box)

## DISPENSATIONS & PERMISSIONS

NO REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION OR PERMISSION ARE REQUIRED

DISPENSATION/PERMISSION FROM THE BISHOP OF COVINGTON

TYPE OF DISPENSATION  
/PERMISSION: \_\_\_\_\_

REQUESTED: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ GRANTED: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CANONICAL FORM DISPENSATION REQUESTED: \_\_\_\_\_

PRESIDING  
MINISTER: \_\_\_\_\_

(Title) (First) (Initial) (Last)

CHURCH

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

REQUESTED: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ GRANTED: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

## DELEGATION

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a person with jurisdiction to

(Title) (First) (Initial) (Last)

have weddings in the parish in which this ceremony is to take place, hereby delegate to

\_\_\_\_\_ permission to witness this wedding

(Title) (First) (Initial) (Last)

in this parish. Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## PROPER PASTOR'S PERMISSION

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the pastor of the parish of the

(Title) (First) (Initial) (Last)

groom or  bride entering this marriage, hereby give permission to \_\_\_\_\_

(Title)

\_\_\_\_\_ to witness this marriage in the Church

(First) (Initial) (Last)

indicated above, with the understanding that necessary jurisdiction or delegation has been

obtained. Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## PREVIOUS MARRIAGE

If either party has had a previous marriage, check  one of the following boxes.

I have enclosed death certificate(s) for previous spouse(s).





# Statement of the Bride

Diocese of Covington

Please PRINT

Name:	_____	_____	_____	_____
	(First)	(FULL Middle)	(Maiden)	(Last)
Address:	_____			
City:	_____	State:	_____	ZIP + 4: _____
Age:	_____	Birthdate:	___/___/___	Occupation: _____
Place of Birth:	_____	Religion:	_____	
Baptism:	___/___/___	Church:	_____	
City:	_____	State:	_____	
Confirmation:	___/___/___	Church:	_____	
City:	_____	State:	_____	
<b>FATHER:</b>	Name:	_____	_____	_____
		(First)	(FULL Middle)	(Last)
Address:	_____			
City:	_____	State:	_____	ZIP + 4: _____
<b>MOTHER:</b>	Name:	_____	_____	_____
		(First)	(FULL Middle)	(Maiden) (Last)
Address:	_____			
City:	_____	State:	_____	ZIP + 4: _____

**QUESTIONS for the bride. Answers to be PRINTED in the presence of the priest, deacon or minister who is to preside at the wedding ceremony. The groom should **NOT** be present.**

- 1) How actively do you practice your religion? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2) How actively does your fiancé practice his religion? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3) How long have you known your fiancé? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5) Has either of you ever been married before to another person? \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, to whom, and how are you now free to marry? \_\_\_\_\_

6) Are you a blood relative of your fiancé? \_\_\_\_\_

7) Have you ever been a member of a religious order? \_\_\_\_\_

8) Are you physically able to honor the sexual commitment you are making to your fiancé? \_\_\_\_\_

9) Are you aware of any mental, emotional or nervous illness, disorder or addictions which make it difficult for you to live up to the demands of marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you aware of any mental, emotional or nervous illness, disorder or addictions which make it difficult for your intended spouse to live up to the demands of marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

10) Are you committing yourself, honestly and with no reservations to a lifelong union with your fiancé? \_\_\_\_\_

11) (If under age 18) Do your parents approve of this wedding? \_\_\_\_\_

12) Are you pledging to be totally faithful to your fiancé? \_\_\_\_\_

13) Are you giving your spouse the right to have children with you? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you placing **any** conditions on handing over that right? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, what are these conditions? \_\_\_\_\_

14) Are you giving total and unqualified consent to this marriage, free of any restrictions, limitations or conditions? \_\_\_\_\_

15) If you are not Catholic, have you ever been baptized in any religion? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, when and where? Approximate Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Church: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

By my signature below, I (  check one)  swear or  affirm that:

- All the answers recorded above are true to the best of my knowledge.
- I have given them **IN THE PRESENCE OF** the parish priest or deacon or pastoral minister who is to preside at the ceremony or prepare this couple for marriage.
- That the intended groom was **NOT** present during this testimony.

Your Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Place where this testimony was given: \_\_\_\_\_

**I swear that the above statement was made and signed by the bride in my presence.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Priest/Deacon/Pastoral Minister taking this testimony



# Statement of the Groom

Diocese of Covington

Please **PRINT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (FULL Middle) (Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP + 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Baptism: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Church: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Confirmation: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Church: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

**FATHER:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (FULL Middle) (Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP + 4: \_\_\_\_\_

**MOTHER:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (FULL Middle) (Maiden) (Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP + 4: \_\_\_\_\_

**QUESTIONS for the groom. Answers to be PRINTED in the presence of the priest, deacon or minister who is to preside at the wedding ceremony. The bride should **NOT** be present.**

- 1) How actively do you practice your religion? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2) How actively does your fiancée practice her religion? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3) How long have you known your fiancée? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



- 5) Has either of you ever been married before to another person? \_\_\_\_\_  
 If yes, to whom, and how are you now free to marry? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) Are you a blood relative of your fiancée? \_\_\_\_\_
- 7) Have you ever been a member of a religious order? \_\_\_\_\_
- 8) Are you physically able to honor the sexual commitment you are making to your fiancée? \_\_\_\_\_
- 9) Are you aware of any mental, emotional or nervous illness, disorder or addictions which make it difficult for you to live up to the demands of marriage? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are you aware of any mental, emotional or nervous illness, disorder or addictions which make it difficult for your intended spouse to live up to the demands of marriage? \_\_\_\_\_
- 10) Are you committing yourself, honestly and with no reservations to a lifelong union with your fiancée? \_\_\_\_\_
- 11) (If under age 18) Do your parents approve of this wedding? \_\_\_\_\_
- 12) Are you pledging to be totally faithful to your fiancée? \_\_\_\_\_
- 13) Are you giving your spouse the right to have children with you? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are you placing **any** conditions on handing over that right? \_\_\_\_\_  
 If so, what are these conditions? \_\_\_\_\_
- 14) Are you giving total and unqualified consent to this marriage, free of of any restrictions, limitations or conditions? \_\_\_\_\_
- 15) If you are not Catholic, have you ever been baptized in any religion? \_\_\_\_\_  
 If so, when and where? Approximate Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Church: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

By my signature below, I (  check one)  swear or  affirm that:

- All the answers recorded above are true to the best of my knowledge.
- I have given them **IN THE PRESENCE OF** the parish priest or deacon or pastoral minister who is to preside at the ceremony or prepare this couple for marriage.
- That the intended bride was **NOT** present during this testimony.

Your Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Place where this testimony was given: \_\_\_\_\_

**I swear that the above statement was made and signed by the groom in my presence.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Priest/Deacon/Pastoral Minister taking this testimony

Diocese of Covington  
**Affidavit for the Freedom to Marry**  
**BRIDE**

**H**aving known \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
(bride's name - printed)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, attest and affirm that she:  
(Witness #1 Name - printed)

\_\_\_\_\_ has never exchanged marriage vows in a civil or church wedding ceremony.

\_\_\_\_\_ has previously exchanged marriage vows in a civil or church wedding ceremony. She was married

to \_\_\_\_\_ This ceremony took place on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ at  
(name of former spouse)

\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
(place where ceremony occurred) (City) (State)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Witness #1)

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

This declaration was made in my presence: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Priest/Deacon)

**H**aving known \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
(bride's name - printed)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, attest and affirm that she:  
(Witness #2 Name - printed)

\_\_\_\_\_ has never exchanged marriage vows in a civil or church wedding ceremony.

\_\_\_\_\_ has previously exchanged marriage vows in a civil or church wedding ceremony. She was married

to \_\_\_\_\_ This ceremony took place on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ at  
(name of former spouse)

\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
(place where ceremony occurred) (City) (State)

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Diocese of Covington  
**Affidavit for the Freedom to Marry**  
**GROOM**

**H**aving known \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
(groom's name - printed)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, attest and affirm that he:  
(Witness #1 Name - printed)

\_\_\_\_\_ has never exchanged marriage vows in a civil or church wedding ceremony.

\_\_\_\_\_ has previously exchanged marriage vows in a civil or church wedding ceremony. He was married

to \_\_\_\_\_ This ceremony took place on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ at  
(name of former spouse)

\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_,  
(place where ceremony occurred) (City) (State)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Witness #1)

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

This declaration was made in my presence: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Priest/Deacon)

**H**aving known \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
(groom's name - printed)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, attest and affirm that he:  
(Witness #2 Name - printed)

\_\_\_\_\_ has never exchanged marriage vows in a civil or church wedding ceremony.

\_\_\_\_\_ has previously exchanged marriage vows in a civil or church wedding ceremony. He was married

to \_\_\_\_\_ This ceremony took place on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ at  
(name of former spouse)

\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_,  
(place where ceremony occurred) (City) (State)

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_



## PRENUPTIAL PREPARATION

Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

(✓ Check Box)

Couple's Reaction to program:  Positive  Negative Dates Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

If NEGATIVE, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

✓ (Check Box)

## FREEDOM TO MARRY

- I have known both parties for many years and can be sure from my personal acquaintance with them for an extended period of time that neither of them has ever been married before and that there exists no evident impediments to this marriage which have not been dealt with by the proper Church authority.
- Two Freedom to Marry affidavits for the Groom are enclosed in this file.  
Two Freedom to Marry affidavits for the Bride are enclosed in this file.
- Both are Catholics, Banns of Marriage have been published in the parishes of both parties according to canon law. (Copies of both parish bulletins are enclosed in this file).
- Other (Explain): \_\_\_\_\_

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

### Catholic Groom

I hereby reaffirm my faith in Jesus Christ and in the Catholic Church. I promise to practice my religion actively. I have every intention of doing all in my power to have any children born of this marriage baptized in the Catholic Church and pledge to do all I can to provide them with the best possible education in the Catholic faith. I reaffirm my belief in marriage as a sacrament and swear that I am committing myself to lifelong fidelity to my intended spouse.

Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of one preparing groom for marriage: \_\_\_\_\_

### Catholic Bride

I hereby reaffirm my faith in Jesus Christ and in the Catholic Church. I promise to practice my religion actively. I have every intention of doing all in my power to have any children born of this marriage baptized in the Catholic Church and pledge to do all I can to provide them with the best possible education in the Catholic faith. I reaffirm my belief in marriage as a sacrament and swear that I am committing myself to lifelong fidelity to my intended spouse.

Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## EVALUATION

Do you swear that you believe that this couple is entering marriage freely, after mature deliberation, with all the proper and necessary intentions? (✓ Box)     Yes     No

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ If no, please explain reservations:  
\_\_\_\_\_

(✓ Box)

## NOTIFICATIONS

COUNTY CLERK, County of \_\_\_\_\_ Notified: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

CATHOLIC GROOM'S CHURCH OF BAPTISM

Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Notified: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

CATHOLIC BRIDE'S CHURCH OF BAPTISM

Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Notified: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

## CERTIFICATIONS

I hereby certify that I prepared this couple for marriage.

Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that I presided at the wedding of this couple on the date and at the place indicated.

Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

✓ (the following are enclosed)

## CHECKLIST

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Current Annotated Baptismal Catholic Groom | <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage License            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Current Annotated Baptismal Catholic Bride | <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage Certificate        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proper Pastor's Permission                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Delegation                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dispensation(s)                            |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Declaration(s) of Nullity                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Bulletin(s) w/Banns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Death Certificate(s)                       |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Statement of the Groom                     | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Freedom to Marry - Groom  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage Preparation Certificate           |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Statement of the Bride                     | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Freedom to Marry - Bride  |

INSPECTION BY TRIBUNAL:  ,  \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ BY: \_\_\_\_\_