



**Diocese of Sacramento  
The Tribunal**  
2110 Broadway  
Sacramento, CA 95818  
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## Witness Affidavit Regarding Baptismal Status of

\_\_\_\_\_  
(First, Middle, Last Name; include Maiden if applicable)

A certified copy of the baptismal certificate is not possible because: *(please check reason)*

- ☐ The baptism was not entered into the sacramental register book. This has been verified by the parish.  
☐ The parish's records were destroyed by fire or other natural disaster. This has been verified by the parish and/or diocese.  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

Oath: "Do you solemnly swear before Almighty God to tell the whole truth  
and nothing but the truth in answering the following questions?" \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Your relationship to the above-named person: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby attest that I have known the above-named person for \_\_\_\_\_ years and that: (check one)

☐ He/She is a baptized Catholic. Date of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church and Address/City/State/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ He/She is a baptized Christian. Date of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church and Address/City/State/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ He/She has never been baptized, sprinkled, christened, or initiated into any Christian religion.

If you are not a parent or the godparent of the above-named party, what is the source of your knowledge about his/her baptism and religious background? \_\_\_\_\_

### TO BE COMPLETED BY CATHOLIC PASTOR OR HIS DELEGATE:

☐ I know the witness personally or

☐ I have verified his/her government-issued identification.

Type and Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(Driver's license, Passport, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pastor or Delegate – Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pastor or Delegate – Print Name

*Affix parish seal or stamp here.*

If deposition is taken outside the Diocese of Sacramento, it must be approved by the Chancery Office of the witness' residence.

Diocese \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chancellor or Bishop's Delegate