**FORM B: Pre-Nuptial Witness Testimony**

**The witnesses (two for the Groom and two for the Bride) should be a parent, sibling, or other close relative who has known the party all or most of his/her life.**

**If no relative is available, then a friend of many years may complete the form.**

**The witness must be able to answer all questions from personal experience.**

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| Ask: *“Do you promise to tell the truth in answer to the questions asked of you?”* |
| Name of Person to be Married |
| Name of Witness |
| Address of Witness (include City, State, ZIP Code) |
| Relationship of witness to above-named party |
| How well do you know the above-named party? If you are not a relative, how many years have you known the above-named party? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years |
| Was the party ever baptized? 🞏 Yes 🞏 No If yes, when, where, and into which denomination? |
| If Catholic, to which rite is he/she a member? 🞏 Latin 🞏 Eastern |
| Has the party ever contracted or entered marriage (even civilly)? 🞏 Yes 🞏 No  |
| If yes, was the marriage annulled or dissolved by a Church tribunal? 🞏 Yes 🞏 No If yes, when and where? (If more than one marriage, list details on separate sheet of paper.) |
| Is the party bound by any diriment impediment (age, impotence, disparity of worship, ordination, perpetual vow of chastity, abduction, crime, consanguinity, affinity, public propriety, legal relationship resulting from adoption)? 🞏 Yes 🞏 No |
| If yes, by which impediment is the party bound? |
| Is the party entering marriage free from pressure and fear, and does the party intend a permanent exclusive union open to having children? 🞏 Yes 🞏 No |
| Does the witness consider the party sufficiently mature to accept the responsibilities of marriage? 🞏 Yes 🞏 No |
| Does the witness wish to make any further comments concerning the marriage? 🞏 Yes 🞏 No |

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*Date Signature of Witness Signature of Priest / Deacon / Pastoral Minister*

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| Testimony was taken at (parish and city) |
| The wedding is to take place at (parish and city) |
| The bride and groom are being prepared at (parish and city) |

If the deposition is taken outside the Diocese of Sacramento, it must be approved by the Chancery Office of the diocese where the witness resides:

Visum est: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Diocese: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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