



**Diocese of Sacramento**  
**The Tribunal**  
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*Office Use Only:*

Rec'd: \_\_\_\_\_

PN: \_\_\_\_\_

*Petition for a declaration of nullity due to*

**LIGAMEN**

<b>PETITIONER</b>	<b>RESPONDENT</b>
<i>At the time of this marriage, had you been baptized or received into the Catholic Church? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>	<i>At the time of this marriage, had he/she been baptized or received into the Catholic Church? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

**If either the Petitioner and/or Respondent is a baptized Catholic and married outside the Catholic Church in another Christian faith, a non-denominational ceremony, or a civil ceremony, STOP and complete Lack of Form.**

Will the Respondent cooperate in this process? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you discussed this with him/her? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>(If not, please explain why.)</i>

*To be filled out with the assistance of the Parish Advocate. Please print clearly.*

<b>PETITIONER</b>		<b>RESPONDENT (required)</b>
	Current Full Name <i>(First, Middle Last)</i>	
	Maiden Name <i>(if applicable)</i>	
	Address Number & Street	
	City, State, and ZIP Code	
	Home Telephone <i>(inc. area code)</i>	
	Work Telephone <i>(inc. area code)</i>	
	Mobile Telephone <i>(inc. area code)</i>	
	E-Mail Address	
	Date of Birth Place of Birth	
	If Baptized, Date of Baptism	
	If Baptized, Place of Baptism	
	Current Denomination/Religion	

<b>MARRIAGE UNDER INVESTIGATION</b>	
Denomination/Religion at Time of Marriage	Petitioner _____ Respondent _____
Date of Marriage (Month, Day, and Year)	
Place of Marriage (Location, City, and State)	
Who officiated? (e.g., Minister, Priest, Rabbi, Judge)	
Date of Final Divorce Decree	County and State

**Was this your only marriage?**  Yes  No If no, please list all prior and subsequent marriages (include name, date, place, and type of officiant (e.g., minister, priest, rabbi, judge).

Date of Marriage	Name of Spouse	Place of Ceremony (include City and State)	Officiant	Address of Spouse

You **must** include a certified/original marriage license/certificate for each marriage. [NOTE: California's marriage license and certificate is one page. Nevada's (and other states) marriage license and certificate are two separate items. We must have both the license and certificate. One indicates the number of previous marriages.]

**RESPONDENT'S PRIOR BOND**

Was this the first marriage for the Respondent?  Yes  No If no, list all prior and subsequent marriages.

Date of Marriage	Name of Spouse (i.e., Co-Respondent)	Place of Ceremony (include City and State)	Officiant	Address of Spouse

Was this the first marriage for the Co-Respondent?  Yes  No If no, **STOP** and complete Form C.

Was the Co-Respondent ever a Catholic?  Yes  No If yes, **STOP** and complete Form C.

Was the Co-Respondent living at the time you married the Respondent?  Yes  No If no, **STOP** and complete Form C.

What is the source of your information? \_\_\_\_\_

Date of final decree of divorce \_\_\_\_\_ County and State \_\_\_\_\_

**PETITION AND AFFIDAVIT**

I, the undersigned, do hereby petition that my marriage to the Respondent be declared invalid on the grounds that the time of our marriage, the Respondent was already bound by a prior bond (*Ligamen*). I further declare, under oath, that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*signature of petitioner*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*date*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*signature of parish advocate*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*date*

**TO BE COMPLETED BY PARISH ADVOCATE (PRIEST, DEACON, OR APPOINTED LAY MINISTER)**

Name	Parish/City
Phone	Address City/State/Zip

The following documents are included:

“Ligamen” Form

Certified/Original civil marriage license and certificate of marriage between Petitioner and Respondent (must have stamp or seal)

NOTE: California’s marriage license and certificate is one page. Nevada’s (and other states) marriage license and certificate are two separate items. We must have both the license and certificate. One indicates the number of previous marriages.

Certified/Original decree of dissolution (divorce) or civil nullity between Petitioner and Respondent (must have stamp or seal)

NOTE: Two documents are required: “**Notice of Entry of Judgment**” and “**Judgment.**”

Certified/Original civil marriage license(s) and certificate(s) of Respondent’s previous marriage(s) to Co-Respondent(s) (must have stamp or seal)

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\$175 fee (check payable to Tribunal – Diocese of Sacramento)