

# APPLICATION- PETRINE PRIVILEGE DISSOLUTION "IN FAVOR OF THE FAITH"

This application is intended for the use in cases involving a previous marriage involving **one baptized Christian spouse and one unbaptized spouse**, **or two unbaptized spouses neither of whom wish to convert**. This type of case will be decided in Rome, Italy.

PETITIONER		FORMER SPOUSE OF PETITIONER
	Full Name (including	
	maiden)	
	Current Address	
	City, State & Zip Code	
	Telephone Number	
	Date and Place of Birth	
	Date and Denomination of	
	Baptism (if applicable)	
	Parents Full Name	
	Religious Affiliation	
	Parents Current Address	
	City, State & Zip Code	

Please answer the following questions using separate pages where necessary and attach the answers to this form.

#### REGARDING BAPTISMAL STATUS

- 1. Have you the Petitioner ever been baptized? (*Circle correct answer*). Yes No [If baptized, please give name of church and date of baptism.]
- 2. Has your former spouse ever been baptized? (*Circle correct answer*). Yes No [If baptized, please give name of church and date of baptism.]
- 3. Please give information concerning the unbaptized spouse:

- 3.1 Religion of the father; religion of the mother
- 3.2 Churches attended by the parents: name, address and denomination.
- 3.3 Churches attended by the unbaptized party: name, address and denomination.
- 3.4. Are any of the unbaptized party's siblings baptized?

#### REGARDING WITNESSES

Two witnesses knowledgeable about absence of baptism from infancy onward are needed over an above the testimony of the former spouse if he or she is the unbaptized mentioned here.

Names, addresses and telephone numbers of: parents, brothers or sisters of the unbaptized party or others who know about absence of baptism.

#### REGARDING THE MARRIAGE BOND TO BE DISSOLVED:

- 4. Since the separation from your former spouse, have both of you become baptized? (*Circle correct answer*) Yes No. If yes, please answer the following:
  - 4.1 Please give date of baptism, name and location of church of baptism:
  - 4.2 Has there been any renewal of married life by marital intercourse with your former spouse since you both have been baptized?
- 5. Please briefly give information concerning the marriage for which the dissolution is being sought:
  - 5.1 When and where did you meet your former spouse; how long did you associate before marriage; how long were you engaged?
  - 5.2 When, where and before whom did this marriage take place?
  - 5.3 How long did you live together? What was the date of final separation?
  - 5.4 What caused the breakup of this marriage?
  - 5.5 Were either you or your former spouse principally at fault in the breakup of this marriage? Please give reasons for answer.
  - 5.6 How many children were born of this marriage? Who has custody?
  - 5.7 Do you have religious and financial obligations toward your former spouse and/or the children? If so, how are you fulfilling these obligations?

## REGARDING FUTURE MARRIAGE PLANS

6.	Please check the statement which best reflects your present situation:	
	I am not becoming a Catholic but am willing to promise to allow my intended spouse to practice Catholicism and to allow any children born of our proposed marriage in the Catholic Church to be baptized and reared as Catholics.	
	I am taking instructions to become a Catholic at the following parish:	
	I am interested in becoming a Catholic and am planning to take instructions at the following parish:	
	I am a Catholic.	
7.	Please give name (maiden name, if a woman) address and telephone number of the person whom you wish to marry in the Catholic Church:	
8.	Is this person baptized? (Circle correct answer) Yes No. Please give name and location of the church of baptism and date of baptism. (If this person is becoming a Catholic, please give name and location of the church)	
9.	When did you begin to date this person?	
10.	If you began to date or associate before you were divorced, did this association bring about any change or development in your relationship with your former spouse? Please give a brief but accurate description of the situation.	
11.	Has this person whom you now wish to marry been married previously? To whom? How is he/she free to be married in the Catholic Church?	
12.	If you have already entered marriage outside the Catholic Church with this person:	
	12.1 When, where and before whom did this ceremony take place?	
	12.2 Have any children been born of this present union? How many?	
	12.3 Are these children being reared as Catholics?	
13.	If you have not attempted marriage outside the Church, are you now committed to await the decision of the Pope and marry only in the Catholic Church?	

I hereby testify and swear that	the information provided is the truth to the best of my knowledge
Date	Signature of the Applicant
	Signature of the Priest or Deacon Presenting
	Name and address of the Catholic Parish of the Applicant

### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:**

- 1. Marriage record for the union whose dissolution is being sought
- 2. If applicable, marriage record if a new marriage outside the Catholic Church has taken place
- 3. Decree of civil divorce or dissolution of marriage for which dissolution is being sought
- 4. If you are already baptized, a church issued copy of your baptismal certificate
- 5. A church issued copy of your intended's baptismal certificate
- 6. There is no processing Fee.