

DIOCESE OF RICHMOND—PRENUPTIAL INVESTIGATION

(Each party must be interviewed alone. The priest will propose the questions and write the given answers.)

BRIDEGROOM

The priest, having reminded the bridegroom of the sacred character and binding force of an oath, will ask: Do you solemnly swear to tell the truth and nothing but the truth in answering the questions that shall be submitted to you, so help you God? _____

1. Your full name? _____ Address? _____

How long have you lived at this address? _____ Telephone: _____

In what Diocese do you live? _____

2. Your religion? _____ To what parish do you belong? _____

3. Date and place of your birth? _____

Father's name _____ Mother's maiden name _____

4. Were you ever baptized? _____ In what religion? _____

Date? _____ Church? _____ Place? _____

QUESTIONS 5, 6 AND 7 ARE TO BE ASKED OF CATHOLICS ONLY

5. First Holy Communion? _____ Date? _____ Church? _____ Place? _____

6. Confirmation? _____ Date? _____ Church? _____ Place? _____

7. Do you practice your religion faithfully? _____ When did you last go to confession and receive Holy Communion?

8. Give the names and addresses of two persons (preferably parents or relatives) who can testify to your freedom to marry: _____

9. Have you ever received Sacred Orders or made profession in a religious Community? _____ If so, have you proof of your release from these vows? _____

10. Have you ever previously been married or attempted marriage, even a civil marriage? _____ If so, how many times? _____

Name of wife? _____ Her religion? _____

Was it dissolved by: (a) Death (give date)? _____

(b) Ecclesiastical Decree? (date and Tribunal) _____

- many times? _____ Give the name of her spouse(s) _____
12. How long have you known your intended bride? _____ How long have you been engaged? _____
13. Are you related to your intended bride by blood (kinship), or by a legal relationship (in-laws), or by adoption? _____
(If so, consult the Chancery.)
14. Have you ever been treated in a hospital or by a doctor for mental or nervous illness? _____ (If so, the priest should obtain a recent doctor's statement on the patient's condition for entering marriage.)
15. Have you or your spouse any physical or psychological problems which may seriously affect your marriage? Explain.
16. Is any person or circumstance forcing you to enter this marriage against your own will? Is any person or circumstance forcing the bride to marry against her own will? (If yes, consult the Chancery.) _____
17. Are you attaching any conditions, restrictions, or reservations of any kind to your consent to this marriage? _____
(If yes, consult the Chancery.)
18. Do you intend to enter a permanent marriage that can be dissolved only by death? _____
19. Do you intend to be faithful to your wife always? _____
20. Do you understand that one of the purposes of marriage is the begetting of children, God willing? _____
Do you accept and intend to fulfill this aspect of marriage? _____
Does your intended bride accept and intend to fulfill this aspect of marriage? _____
21. Are there any personal qualities of yours unknown to your intended spouse which might affect her willingness to marry you? Please specify. (If so, consult the Chancery). _____
22. Have either your or her parents any objections to this marriage?
If so, what are they? _____
23. Who will be the best man for the marriage? _____

Date: _____

Bridegroom: _____