



LIGAMEN / PRIOR BOND

Protocol No: TY# _____ - 04 _____

Case Name: _____ - _____

To establish ligamen, it must be proven that the previous marriage was the **first** marriage for **both parties**.

I, _____, petition the Tribunal of the Diocese of Tyler for a declaration of invalidity of my marriage to the Respondent, _____.

1. Petitioner Full Name: _____

2. Address: _____

City/St/Z: _____

Phone: Work (_____) _____ Home/C (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

3. Have you ever been baptized? Yes No In what Religion? _____

4. Were you ever, or now Roman Catholic? Yes No

5. Please list all your marriages chronologically:

1st to: _____ Date: _____ - _____

2nd to: _____ Date: _____ - _____

3rd to: _____ Date: _____ - _____

4th to: _____ Date: _____ - _____

6. Is the Respondent from marriage # _____ still living? Yes No

7. Respondent Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City/St/Z: _____

Phone: work (_____) _____ home (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

8. Was the Respondent ever baptized: Yes No In what religion? _____

9. Was the Respondent ever, or now Roman Catholic? Yes No

10. How do you know this? _____

11. List all the Respondent's marriages chronologically:

1st to: _____ Date: _____ - _____

2nd to: _____ Date: _____ - _____

3rd to: _____ Date: _____ - _____

4th to: _____ Date: _____ - _____

12. Is the Respondent's former spouse from marriage # _____ living? Yes No

Co-Respondent's Name: _____

Address: _____

City/St/Z: _____

Phone: work (_____) _____ home (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

13. Was this person ever baptized? Yes No In what religion? _____

14. Was this person ever, or now Roman Catholic? Yes No

15. How do you know this? _____

16. ** Was this the **first** marriage for both parties in the previous marriage? Yes No

How do you know this? _____

17. What is the name of the person you now wish to marry?

18. Is your intended spouse free to marry in the Catholic Church? Yes No

* If No, please explain

My intended spouse has a companion: _____ ligamen case
_____ formal case
_____ lack of canonical form case

19. Witnesses who have information regarding these facts:

- a) the Respondent and Co-Respondent were not Catholic
- b) the marriage between the Respondent and Co-Respondent was the first marriage for both parties
- c) the Co-Respondent was still living while the Respondent was married to the Petitioner

WITNESS

_____ Name _____

_____ Address _____

_____ City/St/Z _____

(_____) _____ W Phone (_____) _____

(_____) _____ H Phone (_____) _____

_____ E-mail _____

_____ Relationship _____

20. Are the demands of justice, if any, to your former spouse and children being met?

21. Do you solemnly swear that the above statements are true and correct, to the best of your knowledge and belief? _____

Petitioner signature
il.

Date

Priest / Deacon signature

Place

** If you send this form electronically you need to scan your signature;
otherwise, sign and send it by regular mail.*

1. The following documents are to be submitted with this Petition:

____ Copy of the marriage license and divorce decree for the marriage between the
Petitioner and the Respondent

____ Copy of the marriage license and divorce decree for the Respondent's **prior marriage**.

2. Date and **sign** the form in the two appropriate places.

3. Include **maiden names** where applicable.

4. The Petitioner should answer every question on this form. Do not leave any questions blank.

* If you have questions call 903 266-2140 or 903 266-2172

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_____ I have enclosed a **\$25** filing fee.

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Petitioner signature

Date

- *If you send this form electronically you need to scan your signature; otherwise, sign and send it by regular mail.*

Make checks payable to the Diocese of Tyler.

Please return your petition to:

TYLER DIOCESAN TRIBUNAL
1015 ESE Loop 323
Tyler TX 75701