



Province of Chicago
WITNESS AFFIDAVIT

Archdiocese of Chicago

Witness I

Testimony of a Knowledgeable Witness for _____

to be married at _____
Church and City of Marriage

This form (in whole or in part) is to be used in the following cases:

1. To establish freedom to marry when either party is not known to the priest or deacon arranging the marriage.
 2. To prove the baptismal status of either party when other proof is not available.
- Witnesses must be interviewed SEPARATELY by the priest or deacon. Parents usually are preferred witnesses.

1. Name _____
A married woman should also include her maiden name

Address _____
Street _____ Apt. no. _____
City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

2. How long have you known the person whose name appears above? _____

What is your relationship to this person? _____

3. Has this person ever been baptized? _____ In what religion? _____

Place of Baptism _____ Date of Baptism _____
Church _____ City, State _____

4. Has this person ever contracted or attempted marriage (in church, civilly, or by common law)? _____

How many times? _____ With whom? _____ When? _____

Where? _____ How ended? _____

For any invalid marriage(s) listed above, was there ever a validation before a Catholic priest or deacon? _____

5. Do you know of any canonical impediments to this marriage (age, family relationship, sacred orders, public perpetual vow of chastity, crime, public propriety, impotence)? _____

6. Is this person mentally and physically able to live a normal married life? _____

7. As far as you know, does this person intend to enter a marriage that is for life, to give his or her spouse the right to have children, and to accept the obligation of fidelity? _____

8. Is this person being forced in any way to enter marriage against his or her will? _____

9. Do the parents or guardians give their consent to this marriage? _____

10. Do you solemnly swear to the truth of the statements you have made? _____

Church Seal

Signature of Witness

Signature of Priest/Deacon

Date

Church and City





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Witness II

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County

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Church

City, State

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Church Seal

Signature of Witness

Signature of Priest/Deacon

Date

Church and City

