



## Testimony to Prove Free State to Marry

*Revised January 29, 2026*

**I hereby testify that** the **Groom or Bride:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please mark the appropriate responses.)*

1.  Yes  No **Has ever been civilly married before?**

*“Yes” indicates that the individual **has previously entered into a civil marriage.***

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**If yes, how many times? 1 2 3 4** *(please circle)*

1.a.  Yes  No

**Has the Roman Catholic Church declared the previous civil marriage(s) invalid?**

1.b.  Yes  No

**Is currently in the process of submitting Catholic annulment documentation for the previous civil marriage(s) according to the Roman Catholic Church?**

2.  Yes  No

**Has freely given consent to marry the Bride or Groom:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**at Christ Cathedral, Diocese of Orange, Garden Grove, California?**

3.  Yes  No

**Do both the Groom and the Bride freely desire to enter into a truly Christian marriage, that is, a covenant between one man and one woman, establishing a partnership for the whole of life through the mutual giving and receiving of love and respect, according to the Rite of Holy Matrimony of the Roman Catholic Church?**

**I am the:**

Father  Mother  Brother  Sister  Uncle  Aunt  Cousin  Grandparent

Friend of the Groom or Bride, whom I have known since he/she was 18 years of age or younger.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Full Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

*The Testimony must be completed in the presence of a Catholic priest or deacon, a Christian pastor, or a public notary.*

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