

INTENTION AND DECLARATION OF PETITIONER

I, the undersigned Petitioner, understand that the investigation of the possible nullity of my marriage is purely a spiritual matter that only refers to the teachings and laws of the Catholic Church. I further realize that if a decree of nullity should be granted it has no civil effects in this country. It does not affect the legitimacy of children, custody of children, child support payments, alimony, or any other matter settled by civil court.

Furthermore, in accord with *CCEO* Canon 1113.3, "as often as the nature of a case or the proofs is such that the reputation of others is endangered by divulging the acts or proofs, or an opportunity for discord is provided or scandal or some other similar disadvantage might arise", I freely bind myself on oath before God to observe secrecy concerning all information I shall garner in the process beginning from the introduction of the petition up until and including the publication of the sentence.

I further understand that I may appoint an Advocate to assist me in this process and verify my choice by checking one of the following statements.

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to appoint an Advocate to assist me

\_\_\_\_\_ I do not wish to be assisted by an Advocate in this process

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SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Place

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Notary

(seal)