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PP Number _____

PAULINE CASE INTRODUCTION FORM

The Pauline Privilege is a dissolution of marriage in which both parties to a previous marriage were non-baptized throughout the entire duration of their married life and the Respondent remains unbaptized to the present time. It is rooted in St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 7: 12-15. It can be requested when the Petitioner either wishes Christian baptism or has been baptized Christian and the Respondent remains unbaptized. In order to invoke this process, we must have the cooperation of the former spouse when he/she is contacted by the Tribunal. In order for the Privilege to be carried out after a decree has been issued, the Petitioner must be baptized Christian then subsequently enter the new marriage. It is critical that the baptism take place before the new marriage in the Catholic Church.

PETITIONER'S INFORMATION:

(Please type or print legibly, using ink)

Petitioner's current full name: _____

Petitioner's full name at birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: Home (____) _____ Work (____) _____

Date and place of birth: _____

RESPONDENT'S INFORMATION:

***Respondent must be cooperative in order to invoke the Pauline Privilege.
Will Respondent be cooperative if contacted by us? ____ Yes ____ No***

Respondent's current name: _____

Respondent's full name at birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: Home (____) _____ Work (____) _____

Date and place of birth: _____

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE INFORMATION:

Date, City and State of the Wedding: _____

Date, County and State of the Divorce: _____

QUESTIONS FOR THE PETITIONER:

Are you currently participating in the RCIA program or instruction in your parish? yes no

Are you planning on marrying in the Catholic Church? yes no

If yes, when and where? _____

Were you ever baptized in any Christian denomination before or during marriage?

yes no

If yes, please give 1) Denomination, 2) Date of Baptism, and 3) Place of Baptism:

Was the Respondent ever baptized in any Christian denomination before or during the marriage?

yes no

If yes, please give 1) Denomination, 2) Date of Baptism, and 3) Place of Baptism:

When did you and the Respondent last live together as husband and wife? _____

Is there any hope of reconciliation? yes no

The following documents are needed to complete a Pauline Privilege case:

- Civil Marriage License Application and Marriage Certificate**
- Complete Final Decree of Dissolution/Divorce (Please be sure it contains the judge's signature or stamp and the date on the final page.)**

**NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF DIRECT WITNESSES
WHO COULD VERIFY BAPTISMAL STATUS**

For Petitioner

For the Respondent:

Petitioner's Parents:

Respondent's Parents:

Name

Name

Address

Address

City, State, Zip

City, State, Zip

Name

Name

Address

Address

City, State, Zip

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Other:
(Must be someone who would have known party since birth. e.g. – grandparent, older sibling, older aunt/uncle, etc.)

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PETITION AND DEPOSITION FOR PAULINE PRIVILEGE CASE

With this Petition, I acknowledge and accept:

(Please initial boxes)

- that no assurance can be given about the time it will take to process this case and plans for future marriage should not be finalized until I have received Notice of the decision;
- that it is my responsibility to inform the individuals listed that they may be contacted and asked for their cooperation.
- I affirm the attached deposition to be true and complete to the extent of my knowledge.
- I ask and authorize the Bishop of the Diocese of Boise to examine my marriage to the Respondent with a view to dissolution by Pauline Privilege. I swear an oath before God that the information I have provided in this petition is true.**

Signature of Petitioner

Date

Signature of Advocate

Date

Advocate's Name (please print)

Parish Name

(____)_____
Phone Number

Parish Address, City, State and Zip

Advocate's email address: _____