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MARRIAGE FORM D

PETITION FOR THE DECLARATION OF THE NULLITY OF MARRIAGE

BY REASON OF LACK OF FORM

Petitioner

Respondent

-VS-

a (non-)Catholic

a (non-)Catholic

The undersigned hereby petitions His Excellency, the Most Reverend John Michael Botean, D.D., Bishop of the Romanian Catholic Diocese of Canton, to declare the nullity of the attempted marriage between the Petitioner and above-named Respondent.

The Petitioner claims that the marriage is null by reason of the total failure to observe the canonical form of marriage prescribed by the applicable provisions of canon law in force at the date of the attempted marriage.

In support of this petition, the Petitioner submits herewith the information contained in the appended Defect of Form Questionnaire together with the supporting documentation referred to therein.

WHEREFORE, the Petitioner respectfully prays that the Most Reverend Bishop adjudicate the invalidity of the marriage.

Petitioner

Attest:

Pastor/Priest



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**MARRIAGE FORM D APPENDIX
PETITIONER'S QUESTIONNAIRE
DEFECT OF FORM**

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Respondent

_____ **a (non-)Catholic**

-vs-

_____ **a (non-)Catholic**

1. Do you intend to tell the truth in answering the following questions?
2. What is the date of your birth?
3. Where were you born?
4. What is the date of your spouse's birth?
5. Where was (s)he born?
6. Were you baptized in the Catholic Church? If so, please give name of Church, address and date of Baptism.

7. Did you ever leave the Catholic Church by a formal act or cease practicing as a Catholic? If so, please give exact details.

8. What is your father's full name?

9. What is your mother's full maiden name?

10. With whom did you attempt marriage outside the Church? Give full name and complete present address, including telephone number(s).

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

11. What was the date of this marriage?

12. Where did this marriage take place?

13. Was this the first marriage for both of you? If not, please give the details of previous marriage(s).

14. Was your spouse baptized in the Catholic Church or in the Orthodox Church? If so, please give name of Church, address and date of Baptism.

15. Did your spouse ever leave the Catholic Church by a formal act or cease practicing as a Catholic? If so, please give exact details.

16. What was your spouse's religion at the time of the marriage?

17. Why was this marriage not performed by a Catholic priest?

18. Did you obtain official permission to have this marriage take place outside the Catholic Church? If so, please give details.

19. Did you or the other party ever try to have this marriage blessed in the Catholic Church, such as in time of serious illness? If so, please give details.

20. How long did you live together after the date of marriage?

21. How many children were born to this marriage? (Please give names and present ages.)

22. Who has legal custody of these children?

23. Have these children been baptized and are they being reared in the Catholic faith? (If not, please explain why not.)

24. Has a civil divorce of this marriage been granted? ___Yes ___ No. If so, please provide the following information:

Civil Divorce granted in _____ County, State of _____; Country_____

Date Civil Divorce granted _____; Case Number_____

25. Do you solemnly swear before Almighty God that your marriage to

_____ took place outside the Catholic Church and that it has never been blessed in the Catholic Church?

_____ Petitioner

Address: _____

Telephone: () _____ (H)
() _____ (W)

Dated: _____

Attest:

Pastor/Priest

Submitted by: Rev. _____

Parish: _____

Date: _____

N.B. - The following must accompany this questionnaire:

- A. Catholic or Orthodox Party's Baptismal record (certificate)
- B. Copies of all Marriage records (certificates)
- C. Copies of all Divorce Decrees
- D. Taxa of \$25.00 for payment of expenses, or a statement from the priest certifying that the Petitioner is unable to pay the expenses.