



Petition for Ecclesiastical Dissolution of Marriage

Be sure that this Petition is filled out completely. An incomplete Petition will not be processed.

Date of Completed Petition:	Date Petition Received by Parish Priest:
Home-Parish of Petitioner: (Name, City, State)	* Include Petition fee of \$350. Make check payable to: Assyrian Church of the East

I. Petitioner Information

Name:
Address: (Street) (City/ State) (Zip Code)
Home Phone () - Work Phone () -
Present Parish:
Place & Date of Birth:
Place & Date of Baptism:
Father's Name:
Mother's Maiden Name:
Were you baptized in the Assyrian Church of the East?
If not, what Church were you baptized in? Please attach a valid copy of your baptismal certificate.

II. Respondent Information

Name:
Address: (Street) (City/ State) (Zip Code)
Home Phone () - Work Phone () -
Present Parish:
Place & Date of Birth:
Place & Date of Baptism:
Father's Name:
Mother's Maiden Name:
Were you baptized in the Assyrian Church of the East?

If not, what Church were you baptized in?
Please attach a valid copy of your baptismal certificate.

III. Information About the Marriage to be Dissolved

Date of Marriage:

Parish Church of Marriage? (Name and City)

Officiant:

Name of Best Man and Matron of Honor:

If you did not have a Church Marriage, indicate place and city of your Civil Marriage:

Length of time of Engagement:

Length of time of Marriage:

Your age at the time of Marriage:

Are there any children born of this marriage? Yes If Yes, how many? _____ What is their age? _____

No

- Please attach copy of your Church Marriage Certificate. If you do not have one, attach copy of the civil Certification of Marriage issued by your county.

IV. Information About Your Civil Divorce

If you are not currently civilly divorced, please skip this section.

Date of Separation:

Date of Civil Decree of Dissolution (* please attach copy of full document):

County and State of Civil Divorce:

Did you file as the 'Petitioner' on the Civil Divorce? Yes No

Why are you seeking to have your marriage dissolved by the Church? Please Explain. (If needed, you may explain this further on a separate piece of paper.)

Are you currently engaged? Yes No

If Yes, what is the name of your intended spouse?

Do you intend on remarrying in the Church? Yes No

Is your intended spouse a member of the Assyrian Church of the East? Yes No

In either case, please provide a copy of his/her baptismal certificate or a letter of recommendation from his/her parish priest.

- Please attach copy of full civil divorce decree

The interviewing Priest should investigate the marriage being dissolved:	Petitioner	Respondent
1. Did you know your ex-spouse well during the engagement period?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Did you and your ex-spouse attend church together?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

3. Did your parents approve of your marriage?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4. Did you seek help/counseling from your parish priest when your marital problems began?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
5. Did you seek help from a professional counselor when your marital problem began?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6. Did you did have problems before getting married?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
7. If Yes, how did you try to resolve them before marrying?		
8. Were you mature enough to understand your marital commitment?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
9. Did you have serious doubts about your marriage before getting married?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
10. Were you prepared by the Church before your marriage?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
11. Was there abuse involved in this marriage?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
12. If Yes, what kind (i.e. physical, mental, alcoholic, sexual, etc.)?		
13. Was infidelity involved in the marriage?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Statement of Truth

(To be signed by the Petitioner)

I solemnly affirm before God and the Holy Church that the answers I have given above are true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and ability. I understand that any false or misleading information may be reason for termination of this procedure at the discretion of the Diocesan Ordinary.

SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER: _____ Date: _____

Certification of the Investigating Priest

(To be signed by the Priest)

I, the undersigned Priest, declare that the person(s) whose signature(s) are affixed above appeared before me personally on the date above given; that I proposed to each separately and individually all the above questions under oath and personally recorded the answers given; that I am satisfied as to the identity of the party(ies) involved; that I have on file all the necessary documents; and that the party(ies) involved have cooperated fully in the investigation required by this Petition for Ecclesiastical Dissolution of Marriage.

SIGNATURE OF PRIEST: _____

Date: _____

Seal of the Parish Priest

For the Investigating Priest

List all documents mailed with this investigation:

<input type="checkbox"/> Completed Petition for Ecclesiastical Dissolution of Marriage	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of full Civil Divorce Decree
<input type="checkbox"/> Statement of Petitioner (Case) – signed/dated	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Document:
<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Church Marriage Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Document:
<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Petitioner's baptismal certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Document:
<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Respondent's baptismal certificate	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Document:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Document:	

Date this investigation (with all needed documents) is mailed to the Diocesan office: _____, _____ 20__

For Diocese Use Only

A clean copy of the Ecclesiastical Decree is to remain in the diocesan archives, attached to this Petition.

Date this Petition is received by the Diocesan office: _____, _____ 20__

Processing Fee Attached: Check No. _____ Date: _____ Amount: _____

Date of Decree of Ecclesiastical Dissolution: _____, _____ 20__

Date this Petition was returned for being incomplete: _____, _____ 20__

	Approved	Disapproved
Petition Judgment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments, if any:

_____ Signature of Diocesan Bishop	Seal of the Diocesan Bishop
_____ Date	
_____ Signature (for the Diocesan Bishop)	
_____ Date	

Date the Decree of Dissolution is mailed to Petitioner: _____ of _____ 20__
Day Month Year