



Remarriage Petition

- **Petitions should be submitted to the Bishop's Office via this link - [Remarriage Petition](#) – found in Clergy pages on the diocese's website at least 45 days from the date of the proposed marriage.** (Please retain the original documents in case the bishop requests to review them during the approval process.)
- **A petition must be filed for any person for whom a previous marriage was dissolved by civil authority. A petition must also be filed if the petitioner is no longer married due to the death of the spouse.**
- **When each person to the proposed marriage is divorced or widowed, a separate and complete petition must be filed for each person.**
- **Copies of the final divorce decree or death certificate must be attached to the petition.**
- **For a second marriage, the bishop requires a waiting period of one year from the date of the final decree.**
- **The date and place of the proposed marriage may not be publicly announced until the bishop's consent has been received.**

Petitioner's legal name: _____

Petitioner intends to marry (legal name): _____

Date of previous marriage: _____/Age at time of marriage: _____

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Date(s) of final divorce decree(s): _____/_____/_____

Date(s) of spouse's death, if applicable: _____/_____

Grounds for last divorce: _____

Since the divorce or death of the spouse has the petitioner sought professional counseling or pastoral care?

Are there children of the previous marriage under the age of 18? (Please give names and ages.)

Please describe the arrangements for custody and the financial support of the children for which the petitioner is responsible. _____

*Petitioner's Last Name _____

To the best of your knowledge, is the petitioner faithful to all continuing obligations for the children of the previous marriage? _____

Has the petitioner been baptized? _____ Date of baptism? _____

Is the petitioner a communicant in good standing in your congregation? _____ Is the person the petitioner intends to marry a communicant in good standing in your congregation? _____

Has the person the petitioner intends to marry been baptized? _____/ Date of baptism? _____

Proposed date of marriage _____

Any additional information: _____

I hereby request permission to solemnize this marriage.

Officiating Priest (please print): _____

(Signature): _____/Date _____

Parish and City (please print): _____

*Location of wedding, if different from the parish and city: (please print):

Consent is hereby given to the officiating priest to solemnize this marriage.

Signature _____ Date _____

The Right Reverend Robert C. Wright
Bishop of Atlanta