Diocese of Boise 1501 Federal Way Boise, Idaho 83705-2588

Groom:											
	(full name) (parish in which party			II be marrie	d)						
Witness for Groom:											
	Name										
	Street Address										
	City , State , Zip										
Do you swear to tell the truth to the following questions?				Yes	No						
1. What is your rela	ation to the Groom?										
2. How long have y	ou known the Groom?										
3. Has he ever been married, attempted marriage civilly or lived in common law union?				Yes	No						
 4. Does he have children from any previous union? If so, is he fulfilling his obligations with respect to those children? 5. Is there anything that would prevent this person from entering into a valid marriage? 6. Is there "any person or circumstance" forcing this person to enter into this planned marriage? 7. Have the parents of the Groom given their consent to this marriage? 				Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	No No No No						
						If not, why not?					
						8. Is the Groom baptized? If so, in what denomination?				Yes	No
						9. Do you know of any reason why this marriage should not take place?				Yes	No
						If so, please ex	olain:				
		X _									
	Signature of Witness			5							
	Signature of person receiving			estimony							
Date:		Place:									

Canon 1066 states, "Before a marriage takes place, it must be established that nothing stands in the way of its valid and lawful celebration." In those <u>rare</u> instances where it is impossible to obtain the above testimony of freedom (e.g., due to the couple's advanced age), if the person preparing the couple for marriage is morally certain of the parties' freedom to marry, <u>they may make a written and signed statement in the place of the form C stating their moral certitude and the basis of their belief.</u> Such a statement must be included in the couples' marriage file kept by the parish. When a dispensation or permission is necessary, the signed statement must be sent to the Chancery with the other appropriate forms A and B.