

together in the holystate of matrimony according to the rules and ceremonies of your church, society or religious sect and the laws of this State, or according to the laws of this State. A. B., whose place of residence is; whose age is; ~~color~~ ~~skin complexion~~; and who is (state here whether single, widower, or divorced, as the case may be), and C. D., whose place of residence is; ~~color~~ ~~skin complexion~~; and who is (state here whether single, widow, or divorced, as the case may be), and who are (state here also whether the contracting parties are in any way related). Given under my hand and seal of the Circuit Court for County (or the Court of Common Pleas of Baltimore City) at this day of A.D., one thousand nine hundred and The license shall have appended to it two certificates framed to correspond with said license, which shall be in form as follows: I hereby certify that on this day of one thousand nine hundred and at A.B. and C.D. were by me united in marriage in accordance with the license issued by the Clerk of the Court for County (or City) of Maryland which certificates shall be signed by the minister, or other person who performed the ceremony, giving his name and official character; one of said certificates shall be handed to the contracting parties and the other shall within five days from the date of the marriage be returned to the clerk of the court from which it was issued, either by the minister or other person who performed the ceremony, or, in the event of his death or resignation by any qualified officer of the church or other person in a position so to return the same.

Nothing in this section shall be construed as interfering in any way with the right of any particular religious denomination to join persons in marriage according to the rules and customs of said denomination, it being the intent of this section merely to require the issuance of the aforesaid license prior to the performance of any marriage ceremony and to ~~requiring~~ ~~require~~ REQUIRE a signing and return of the aforesaid certificates by the minister or other official of a religious body or order performing said ceremony.

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(a) Before the clerk of any of the courts aforesaid shall issue any license he shall examine one of the contracting parties to the marriage, under oath, who shall appear personally before the clerk and make application for the same, and the clerk shall ascertain; first, the full name of each party; second, the place of residence of each party; third, the age of each party; fourth, the ~~color~~ ~~skin complexion~~ of each party; fifth, the marital status of each party, whether previously married or single; sixth, FIFTH, whether related or not, if so, in which degree of relationship; seventh, SIXTH, if one or both of the parties has been previously married, the date and place of all deaths and judicial determinations terminating all former marriages of each party; which facts upon the payment of one dollar (\$1.00) as an application fee shall be set out in printed form to be signed by the person making the application, and no such license to marry shall be delivered by the clerk until after the expiration of forty-eight (48) hours from the time application is made therefor; provided, however, that any judge of the circuit court of the county in which the application is made or, if made in Baltimore City, any judge of the Court of Common Pleas, for