

CONTRACTING PARTIES ARE NOT RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY WHERE THE MARRIAGE IS TO BE PERFORMED, THE CLERK, IN LIEU OF A PERSONAL EXAMINATION UNDER OATH, SHALL ACCEPT A NOTARIZED NOTARIZED STATEMENT FROM ONE OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES TO THE MARRIAGE SWORN TO UNDER OATH BEFORE A CLERK OF COURT IN THE COUNTY AND STATE OR OTHER COMPARABLE OFFICIAL IN THE COUNTY, STATE, PROVINCE OR COUNTRY WHERE THE PARTY RESIDES SPECIFYING THOSE FACTS REQUIRED IN THIS SECTION. THE CLERK SHALL RECEIVE THE PAYMENT OF \$1 AS AN APPLICATION FEE OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE MARRIAGE IS TO BE PERFORMED SHALL RECEIVE THE PAYMENT OF \$2 IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER APPLICABLE FEES, AND A LICENSE TO MARRY MAY NOT BE DELIVERED BY THE CLERK UNTIL AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF 48 HOURS FROM THE TIME A NOTARIZED APPLICATION STATEMENT IS RECEIVED BY THE CLERK. 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 good and sufficient cause shown, may, by an order in writing signed by him, authorize the clerk to deliver [such] THE license at any time after the application [therefor] FOR IT, but [such] THE order [shall] MAY not be signed unless one or both of the contracting parties are bona fide residents of Maryland, except where one of the contracting parties is a member of the armed forces of the United States. It [shall be] IS unlawful for the clerks of any of the courts [aforesaid] to make public the fact of an application for a marriage license until [such] THE license [shall have] HAS been issued except to the parent or guardian of either of the contracting parties.

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Applications for license to marry may [only] be made, accepted or received ONLY at the offices of the clerks of the courts [aforesaid] and only during regular office hours. Licenses to marry may [only] be issued ONLY at [said] THOSE offices and only during [said] THOSE hours and may be mailed or delivered to either of the contracting parties to the marriage [and to no other person] OR, IF AUTHORIZED BY ONE OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES IN THE APPLICATION, TO ANY MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL, OR OTHER OFFICER OR PERSON AUTHORIZED BY THE LAWS OF THIS STATE TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE. It [shall be] IS unlawful for the clerks of any of [the] THESE courts [aforesaid] to predate any application for license to marry and in case application has been made for a waiver of the [forty-eight (48)] 48 hour requirement in the manner provided in § 6, it [shall be] IS unlawful for any of the clerks [aforesaid] to issue or deliver any license to marry until the order authorizing the clerk to deliver [such] THE license has been signed by the judge. Any clerk who [shall fail] FAILS to comply with the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine not exceeding [one hundred dollars (\$100)] \$100 for the first offense and in the case of the second and each subsequent offense shall be punished by a fine not exceeding [five hundred dollars (\$500)] \$500 or