

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Family Law

2-402.

(a) An applicant for a license may apply to the clerk only at the office of the clerk during regular office hours.

(b) Except as provided in subsections (d) and (e) of this section, to apply for a license, 1 of the parties to be married shall:

(1) appear before the clerk and give, under oath, the following information, which shall be placed on an application form by the clerk:

(i) the full name of each party;

(ii) the place of residence of each party;

(iii) the age of each party;

(iv) whether the parties are related by blood or marriage and, if so, in which degree of relationship;

(v) the marital status of each party; ~~and~~

(vi) whether either party was married previously, and the date and place of each death or judicial determination that ended any former marriage; and

~~(vii) THE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OF EACH PARTY; AND~~

(2) sign the application form.

(c) (1) The license application shall provide spaces for the ~~voluntary~~ disclosure of the Social Security numbers of the parties.

(2) The clerk shall place Social Security numbers ~~that are disclosed under this subsection~~ on the marriage license certificate forms required under § 2-403 of this subtitle.

(d) If the parties to be married are not residents of the county where the marriage ceremony is to be performed, the clerk shall accept, instead of the application specified in subsection (b) of this section, an affidavit from 1 of the parties to be married. The affidavit shall:

(1) contain the information required by subsection (b) of this section; and

(2) be sworn to under oath before a clerk or other comparable official in the county, state, province, or country where the party resides.

(e) In Cecil County both parties to be married shall appear together before the clerk to apply for a license.