

Annulment Consult with Rose Sweet

Understanding the Bonds of Marriage

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Annulment Consultation - \$500

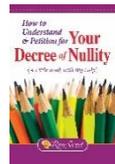
Trained by the Diocese of San Bernardino, CA as a lay advocate, I assist petitioners, respondents and/or their witnesses in the process of providing testimony in the Decree of Nullity (commonly called annulment) process. I've "virtually" assisted people in many dioceses across the country. Please note:

- In most cases, your divorce must be final before a case may be opened; I can still help you look at and assess the likelihood (or not) of grounds for nullity.
- I recommend you order and read my annulment book (rosesweet.com/store). It helps.
- I invoice you through safe and secure PayPal (www.PayPal.com).
- You'll send me your "story" or existing testimony (all confidential). At our following "Intake Interview," we'll go over it in detail and I'll help you assess your situation and recommend next steps.
- If together you and I can't uncover what appears to be legitimate "grounds" for a decree of nullity, I will tell you. Or, if you are contesting the annulment, I will share what I think you may be able to expect and how best to present the truth to the tribunal.
- After that you can cancel any further work.
- No one can guarantee any outcome of your petition/ response, but I will do my best to guide you so that the TRUTH is as fully documented as possible.

What to Do Next

1 – Purchase and read my annulment book.

This short, easy-to-read book will prepare you to understand the process and be most effective in your efforts. <https://rosesweet.com/store>



2 – Schedule an initial FREE 15-minute consultation.

This is our introductory call where we'll determine which type of case you need; you may ask questions you may still have. Use this link to schedule: <https://calendly.com/rosesweet/15min>

3 – Complete the questionnaire.

Your diocese will provide a detailed questionnaire to help them assess and open your case. Prior to submitting it, you will first complete it the best you can and then send it to me as a WORD document. We will get it as complete as possible prior to submission. You can:

- Email me any petition you have already completed or submitted
- Download the Petition from your diocesan website
- **Download & complete the one on my website** (<https://rosesweet.com/annulments>)

4 – Schedule our Intake Interview.

Use this link to schedule a 1.0 hour appointment with me on the phone.

<https://calendly.com/rosesweet/60min>

5 – Pay the invoice prior to our appointment..- \$500

I'll invoice you through Pay Pal you or you can mail a check to address on letterhead.

6 - Interview

In our time together, I will go over your story and dig more deeply if necessary, searching for all the possible “grounds” that may support a decree of nullity. If you are defending your marriage bond as valid, you must still know if there is the possibility of well-supported grounds or not. I explain the process, what you can expect, etc. and you get to ask me questions, too. If after that hour I believe we can reasonably proceed, you can choose to keep working with me or not. No obligation. *At this level, I serve you as an outside consultant.*

Included:

- Thorough explanation of Church teachings on marriage, divorce, annulment remarriage, convalidation
- Analysis & identification of possible grounds and/or the defense of the bond
- Detailed document editing (suggestions, questions, comments) to strengthen your testimony
- Discussion and identification of best witnesses & what they can best contribute
- Sample language you can use to appropriately communicate with witnesses
- Instruction on the overall process (reading the acts, rebuttal, and appeal, and more)
- Language to use in explaining annulment principles and process to adult children and others
- Follow up emails or phone calls as needed and appropriate

Whatever you share with me is held in the utmost confidence. Don't be embarrassed or ashamed about your past or your failings. I make no judgment and I have the utmost compassion for each person with whom I work. **I do NOT advocate or encourage divorce.** I only assist you in considering and preparing for the annulment process.

7 – Further preparation of testimony - \$100 additional, payable in advance

If you need additional assistance in the writing or strengthening of your questionnaire or in the testimony of other parties, I can assist as needed and within canonical requirements.

8 – Assisting the witnesses.

Even with a strong case, weak witness testimony will keep it from moving forward—or worse.

Witnesses cannot be instructed. But you have the canonical right to contact them and ask that they focus on the areas that specifically support your grounds. I can guide you in having them express it MOST clearly and fully.

9 – Using a local advocate.

I recommend you request a local advocate if you have not already been assigned one. It's good to have extra sets of experienced hands to help you through this. The person at the parish who helps you—even your pastor—may or may not be trained or qualified to most adequately assist you, especially in complex cases. We will discuss this in detail in our Intake Interview.

Thank you. *Rose*