



**Diocese of Richmond**  
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### **Affidavit Regarding Baptismal Status**

This form is used ONLY when there is a verifiable Baptism, but no official document or certificate exists. All effort should be made to obtain a record of baptism. This form may be completed by a parent, godparent, or witness to the baptismal ceremony. This form may also be completed by the person themselves if they were an adult, over the age of reason, at the time of the baptism.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(first, middle, maiden name [if applicable], last name)

**Oath:** Do you solemnly swear before Almighty God to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth in answering the following questions? ☐ I do.

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address (include City, State, Zip)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your relationship to the above-named person** \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby attest that I was a witness at the Baptism of the above-mentioned person (or was the one baptized), that he/she was baptized by a minister who poured water over the head of the candidate or immersed the candidate in water with the following formula: "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." For a person baptized Catholic, the pronoun "I" must be used in a valid Baptism. *Please attach any physical evidence of this Baptism, including but not limited to photos, video, cards, and letters.*

**Date or Approximate Date of Baptism** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Church or Community of Baptism** \_\_\_\_\_

**Denomination of Church or Community of Baptism** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address (include City, State, Zip)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of priest/deacon/minister of Baptism** \_\_\_\_\_

**Names of others present at the ceremony** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of testimony** \_\_\_\_\_

**Witness** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature should be witnessed by a priest, deacon, pastoral minister, or public notary)

(Parish Seal)

Questions regarding this form should be directed to the Chancellor: [chancellor@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:chancellor@richmonddiocese.org).