The Tribunal

Diocese of Buffalo

Dear

I acknowledge your request to begin a study of your former marriage to determine the possibility of an annulment by the Church. As I am sure you understand, this is a very serious matter and will require much time.

However, some of that time can be shortened with your full cooperation in the following ways:

- 1. Write up and send in a complete account of your previous marriage(s). Enclosed is a guideline that we ask you to follow wherever applicable. This should be **NO MORE THAN FIVE TO SEVEN PAGES**, typed if possible on regular 81/2X11" white paper. Upon receipt of the marital history, you will be contacted regarding the next step.
- 2. Fill out the enclosed "information sheet" and return it to us with your history.

Since there are so many factors involved, we cannot give any estimate of the time required or of the possible outcome of your request. The Tribunal cannot accept any responsibility for any advice given by others in this matter.

I ask you to be patient with us. There are many who apply. The Tribunal staff is trying to help them all as fairly and as kindly as possible.

If you desire any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Tribunal. I assure you that we will try our best.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Rev. Msgr. Salvatore Manganello, STL, JCL Judicial Vicar