Denver Public Library - Western History and Genealogy Department

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OPEN RECORDS REQUEST FORM

Colo. Rev. Stat. § 24-72 requires up to 72 business hours to provide requested record.

READ FIRST!!

COLORADO STATE LAW REGARDING MARRIAGE APPLICATION RECORDS

Pursuant to Colorado Public Open Records - Colo. Rev. Stat. § 24-72-204, a marriage application <u>is not a public</u> <u>record</u>, and shall be available <u>ONLY</u> to either party of the marriage application or to "an immediate family member of either party on the marriage application." However, marriage licenses, marriage certificates, or civil union certificates are public records.

Colorado Public Open Records - Colo. Rev. Stat. § 24-72-204 defines "immediate family member" as a person who is related by blood, marriage, or adoption.

<u>Note</u>: If you are not one of these eligible individuals, the court <u>may</u> allow access to the marriage application records <u>only</u> if you can demonstrate to the court that there is a good cause (a good reason) to allow access to the records. Please consult an attorney regarding this process.

<u>Proof of Identification is Required:</u> Identification verification is required at the time of the request. Acceptable forms of IDs are current state-issued driver license, current state-issued ID, current passport, or a Colorado court order. **Request from An Immediate Family:** You must provide one of the above forms of ID plus one of the following: Original/certified copy of birth certificate, or original/certified copy of the final decree of adoption.

REQUESTING PARTY				
I am the:	☐ Groom☐ Immediate Family Member☐ Bride☐ Court Ordered (Attach the Order to this request.)		er to this request.)	
Requestor's Last Name:			First Name:	
Mailing Address:				
City:		State:	ZIP:	
Best Phone#:		Email:		
Total copies requested:			Need a certified copy?	□ Yes □ No
The following information is required to perform the record search.				
Groom's Last Name: Suffix: \square Sr. \square Jr. \square 1				Suffix: □ Sr. □ Jr. □ III
Groom's First Name:			Groom's Middle Name:	
Bride's Maiden Name:			Bride's First Name:	
Marriage Date Month & Year:			Marriage application# (if known)	
STAFF USE ONLY:				
Date Stamp: Received: Completed:		Processed by:		
Verification Document Provided: □ Current State-Issued Driver License □ Current State-Issued ID □ Current Passport □ CO Court Order				
For immediate family request requires one of the above is required plus,				
☐ Original/Certified Copy of Birth Certificate ☐ Original/Certified Copy of Final Decree of Adoption.				
Delivery Method: □ Pick-up □ U.S. Mail				

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