

LIBELLUS OF THE PETITIONER

Libellus is the Latin word for petition. It is the formal petition of the Petitioner asking the Tribunal to hear his/her case. The Libellus summary states the proofs that support what is being asserted. The summary does not have to be very long, perhaps 4-5 sentences, and only needs to include the facts that will support the petition. Any statement in the Libellus summary must be proven in the Evidence Gathering stage of the trial in order to carry any weight in the case.

This Libellus and summary is only made known to the Petitioner, the Respondent, their Advocates, and the members of the Court. All information in an annulment case is held in complete confidence. At no time is any of the information gained in the process given to anyone besides those referenced above, as doing otherwise would be a violation of Canon Law and the integrity of the process.

The following is a statement of the Petitioner, it is not the opinion of the Tribunal or the Church.

Petitioner's Name

Date