EARLY MARRIAGE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

STATUTES:

According to sections 302 and 303 of the Family Code of California, persons under the age of 18 must have the permission of a parent and the Superior Court in order to marry. As a result, the Superior Court requires that a probation department investigation and recommendation be submitted to the Court for consideration.

PROCEDURES:

- 1. Complete the attached application in its entirety.
- 2. Obtain the required documents.
- 3. Schedule an appointment by calling (707) 784-7600 and bring all required documents with you.
- 4. A parent or legal guardian must accompany the minor to the appointment.
- 5. After the appointment, a hearing is scheduled with the juvenile court judge.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED:

- 1. Complete the attached application prior to arrival.
- 2. Minors must provide a Birth Certificate. Adults may show a valid Driver's License or Military ID in lieu of a Birth Certificate.
- 3. Minors must have the school report completed by their present school, or if not currently enrolled, by the last school attended. If not in school a diploma, equivalency diploma or GED certificate may be substituted for the report.
- 4. If employed, a letter must by provided from the employer, addressing <u>salary</u>, <u>length of employment, and work habits</u>.
- 5. If a resident alien, documentation of legal residency must be provided.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS COULD RESULT IN A DELAY OF YOUR MARRIAGE PLANS. ALL COUNTIES IN CALIFORNIA HAVE SIMILAR REQUIREMENTS. THOSE WANTING TO MARRY IN ANOTHER STATE SHOULD CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK IN THAT JURISDICTION. THE SOLANO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT RARELY GRANTS PERMISSION TO PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF 16.