

TEMA/TÍTULO: Cánones: Enmendar el Canon III.9.5(c.1): Registro de Matrimonios y Uniones Civiles

PROPONENTE: Diocese of Newark

PÁGINA CYC: 86

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- 1 *Se resuelve*, con la aprobación de la Cámara de _____ que esta 76ª Convención General haga la
- 2 siguiente modificación a los cánones:
- 3 El Canon III.9.5(c.1) por medio de la presente se enmienda de tal forma que se lea:
- 4 Será deber del Rector o Presbítero a Cargo asentar en el Registro de la Parroquia todos los
- 5 Bautismos, Confirmaciones (incluso los equivalentes canónicos del Canon I.17.1(d)),
- 6 Matrimonios, *Uniones Civiles* y Entierros.
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EXPLANATION:

The intent of states that adopt civil union statutes for same-sex couples is to provide such couples all the rights, benefits, obligations and responsibilities of marriage. While experts widely recognize that civil union statutes do not and cannot accord same-sex couples full marital equivalents, the intent of state legislatures is that same-sex couples be accorded full marital benefits, albeit without referring to the union as a marriage. Until same-sex couples are accorded full marriage rights it is incumbent upon the Church to recognize their unions in an identical manner as opposite-sex couples and to give civil unions the same dignity and respect bestowed on opposite-sex marriages. The Church does justice and exercises pastoral care by requiring clergy to record civil unions in the Parish Register in states that have enacted civil union statutes and in dioceses where the ecclesiastical authority permits clergy to officiate at such unions.