

Evidence to prove the legitimacy of a marriage

- ◆ Original letters from all banks or other financial institutions or credit card companies where you have joint accounts, dating the date that the account was opened, whose name the account was opened under, and who was allowed to sign for the account or to use the credit cards.
- ◆ Copies of monthly bank account records, financial account records, and credit card statements, going back to the time that you were married.
- ◆ Utilities billed in both names or, if in your own individual names, then proof that they were for a common address.
- ◆ Copies of each month's cell phone or other telephone bills and telephone records from the time you were first married to present to show that you have remained in communication with one another.
- ◆ A letter from your health insurance carrier to show that the two of you shared benefits (if in fact you have a joint health insurance policy).
- ◆ A piece of mail each per month (showing postmark) to show that you both received mail at the same address.
- ◆ Copies of each car insurance policies/renewal policies to show that you named each other as additional drivers or that you were both covered by the policy continuously throughout your marriage.
- ◆ Life insurance or wills showing that you named each other as beneficiaries.
- ◆ If either one of you sought medical treatment at any time during your marriage we need copies of the records from the doctor to show that you listed each other as husband and wife and as the person to be notified in the event of an emergency.
- ◆ Photos from the vacations taken together, copies of plane tickets or travel itinerary, hotel receipts, or anything else to show that you did travel together.
- ◆ Photos of the two of you together, with family members at family gatherings, holidays, special events such as weddings, etc., all will be helpful.
- ◆ A copy of the deed for your home or residential lease where you live showing both name thereon.
- ◆ If you have ever applied for any loans such as home loans, car loans, or personal loans I need copies of the paperwork to show that you borrowed the money jointly.
- ◆ Copies of ATM cards, credit cards, revolving credit accounts with local businesses such as Art Van, Best Buy, etc. showing that you both share access to the same account and or letters from the company stating when the accounts were opened and showing that they were opened in joint name and that you both have access to the accounts.
- ◆ Copies of wedding pictures, receipts for the rental hall, copies of the invitations that were sent, copies of receipts for the florist, band, or banquet hall, etc.
- ◆ Affidavits/letters from friends and family members will be helpful. **All affidavits must set forth the name, date, and place of birth and address of the person making the affidavit, their relationship to you or your wife, and must state in great detail, just as though they were testifying in court, what it is about the two of you that leads them to believe that this is a legitimate marriage entered into for love and not just to help you get a green card. All affidavits must be signed by the affiant and notarized by a notary public.** Any affidavits executed overseas must be signed in front of a consular officer at an American Embassy. The person signing the affidavit must show pictured identification such as a passport so that their signature can be authenticated by the consular officer.