

MARRIAGES:
VITAL STATISTICS:
RECORDERS:

Section 451.080, RSMo 1949, setting forth the form of marriage license not superseded by Section 193.360, RSMo 1949.



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Honorable Clyde Bridger
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Dear Mr. Bridger:

This is in reply to your request for an opinion which is as follows:

"Considerable confusion seems to exist as to the role that the Division of Health plays in the filing of records connected with marriages, divorces, adoptions, annulments of marriage and annulments of adoption. We shall appreciate your clarification.

"(1) Marriages.

"(a) Sections 451.080 to 451.210 inclusive relate to the Recorder's part in handling application for marriage and marriage license. Sections 193.340 to 193.360 inclusive relate to the Division of Health and its duties in connection with the same subject. In particular, Section 451.080 sets forth a specific form for the Recorder to use and Section 193.360 states that this office shall prepare the proper form for the Recorder to use. The basic question is: Does Section 193.360 supersede Section 451.080?

"We are enclosing samples of the forms now being used for the collection of the information requested in Sections 193.340 to 193.360."

You further ask concerning the duties of a clerk with regard to information which he is required to furnish the Division in cases of divorces, annulments and adoptions. In answer to that question we are enclosing a copy of an opinion (Hall - 1948) which sets forth the information which may be required by the Division from the clerk of the court.

