



# SPOUSAL / PENSION PARTNER STATUS DECLARATION

Before completing this Declaration, please read the sections “Spousal / Pension Partner Status Declaration” and “Definitions” on the reverse of this form.

I, \_\_\_\_\_,

Social Insurance Number \_\_\_\_\_, the plan member, solemnly declare:

That I have read the definition of a pension partner provided on the back of this form,

I DO

That: \_\_\_\_\_ have a pension partner, as defined, on the date that I completed this declaration,

I DO NOT

That should my pension partner status change on or before pension commencement, I will inform ATRF and complete a new Spousal / Pension Partner Status Declaration.

## PENSION PARTNER'S INFORMATION

Name of Pension Partner \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth of Pension Partner \_\_\_\_\_

My Pension Partner Status is:  LEGAL MARRIAGE  COMMON LAW (includes same gender)

DECLARED before me:

at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Municipality)

in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Province/State/Territory and Country, if not Canada)

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
A Commissioner for Oaths / Notary Public  
(PRINT OR STAMP NAME BELOW)

MY APPOINTMENT EXPIRES \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Plan Member)

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- Complete the Declaration only if you are taking an immediate pension.
- The Declaration cannot be signed more than four months prior to your pension effective date.
- The form must be declared before a Commission for Oaths (Commissioners are available in the ATRF office).
- Please read the definitions below before you complete the Declaration.

## DEFINITIONS

The following definitions are provided in the *Teachers' Pension Plans Act*:

**"Pension Partner"** (Schedule 1,s.1(1)(hh.1) of the Plan Rules)

- (a) A person who, at the relevant time, was married to that member and had not been living separate and apart from that member for 3 or more consecutive years, or
- (b) If there is no person to whom subclause (a) applies, a person who, as at and up to the relevant time, had lived with that member in a conjugal relationship for a continuous period of at least 3 years and was, during that period, held out by that member in the community in which they lived as being in that conjugal relationship.

**"Living separate and apart"** (Schedule 1,s.1(3) of the Plan Rules)

Persons are living separate and apart

- (a) if they are living separate and apart and either of them has the intention to live separate and apart from the other, or
- (b) if,
  - (i) they had been living separate and apart,
  - (ii) the separation was interrupted or ended by reason only that either of them became incapable of continuing to live separate and apart or of forming or having the intention to continue to live apart of that person's own volition, and
  - (iii) the separation would probably have continued if that person had not become so incapable.