## WEDDING OFFICIANT CONTRACT

The following agreement was made between Robert S. Maggi, known in this contract as "Officiant", and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Bride) and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Groom), known in this contract as "Couple," is for the purpose of retaining an officiant to perform a marriage and wedding ceremony on the Couple's behalf.

\_\_\_\_\_ Officiant agrees to provide services to the Couple on the date of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and at the time of \_\_\_\_\_\_ at the location of \_\_\_\_\_\_ Rehearsal required? \_\_\_\_ Time and Location \_\_\_\_\_\_

Officiant agrees to be available as assistance with the Couple in providing support and guidance during the planning stages of the wedding ceremony and through the final vows of the wedding ceremony itself.

\_\_\_\_\_ Officiant agrees to perform the ceremony in a respectful and professional manner in accordance with the ceremony planned by the Couple. The Officiant will arrive early on the day of the ceremony.

\_\_\_\_\_Officiant is not responsible for Acts Of God, Natural Disasters, an Act Of Government such as A Declaration of National or Local Emergency, or Other Incidents Not within the control of the Officiant.In the unlikely event that the Officiant is unable to perform the ceremony for unforeseen circumstances (ie. death, injury, accident, death in the family, illness, pregnancy, or sudden tragic circumstance etc.) In such a situation, the Officiant will obtain, upon approval of the client, a qualified professional replacement to fulfill the Officiant's obligations under the contract. The Officiant will do his best to find a replacement and issue a full monetary refund to the couple.

\_\_\_\_\_Officiant will dress appropriately for the wedding and will arrive early on the day of the ceremony.

\_\_\_\_\_ Officiant agrees to sign the wedding license after the ceremony and mail it back to the county within five (5) business days after the wedding, unless the Couple is already married and does not need a license signed.

\_\_\_\_\_ Couple understands that it is their responsibility to acquire a valid marriage license in the state where the wedding ceremony will take place and the marriage license must be on the premises when the ceremony is performed. The Couple understands that failure to have these legal documents means that the wedding officiant cannot legally perform the ceremony and is under no obligation to do so. The officiant may at his/her discretion perform a symbolic ceremony, which will have no legal merit, and perform another ceremony in private for the couple once the legal documents are presented, for an additional fee to be negotiated with the Officiant. The Couple will consult with the local court or official to find the exact requirements for the client's area.

**Retainer** - An initial retainer of \$\_\_\_\_\_ of total cost \$\_\_\_\_\_ and a signed contract must be secured prior to any services being performed by the Officiant. The retainer and signed contract will guarantee the Officiant's availability for the Couple's wedding date and time, thus preventing the Officiant from booking another wedding at the same date and time.

\_\_\_\_\_ Before the start of the wedding ceremony, the Couple agrees to pay:

## \*\*Check only the services that apply to chosen package\*\*

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ <u>350</u> for the Officiant's basic fee.

\$ <u>100</u> for the Officiant to attend the rehearsal.

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ <u>250</u> for the Officiant to create a custom ceremony script tailored to the Couple's requests.

**Contracted package** - Includes all services described in selected package details reviewed and distributed to clients. Any additional services/products requested by the client incurred by the Officiant will be billed directly to the Couple at cost. All services contracted cannot be deducted, but additional services can be added.

<u>Final Payment</u> – Final payments should be made directly to the Officiant. In order to expedite processes on the day of the ceremony, it is expected that final payment (as well as marriage license if applicable) should be furnished to the Officiant prior to the start of the ceremony.

<u>Travel Accommodations</u> – For all weddings taking place further than 40 miles (one way) from the Officiant's place of business, travel fees of \$1.25 per mile will be incurred for all mileage round-trip to cover extra travel and time. This would be made known prior to the preparation of this proposal.

**Liability** – It is understood that the Officiant is only liable for services completed and provided by Officiant and cannot be held liable for the services of other contracted vendors. It is understood that in no event shall the Officiant be liable for consequential damages of any kind. The Couple agrees that in all circumstances, the Officiant's liability shall be exclusively limited to an amount equal to the performance fee and that the individual contracted consultant shall be liable for indirect or consequential damages arising from any breach of contract.

<u>Cancellation Policy</u> – If the event is canceled or the Officiant's services are no longer required, no portion of the fees paid to the Officiant will be returned. Cancellation must be made known to the Officiant in writing, (email or letter). If notice of cancellation is given less than 6 months before the event date, final payment will be required to compensate for hours of service already rendered and loss of event date. If the event is postponed, services contracted can be applied to a new date if available (refer to Postponement Policy).

<u>Postponement Policy</u> – If the event is postponed, all services will cease at time of notification of postponement if no determined new date is provided. Payment schedule will be determined and readjusted post new event date notification. If the Couple requires services to resume,

post-new event date being established, a second payment will be required at time of service restart.

<u>Ceremony Items</u> – If the ceremony includes a sand ceremony, unity candle, or any other special feature, the Couple is responsible for furnishing all necessary equipment including tables and/or linens.

<u>Payment Schedule and Method</u> – Payment is to be made by cash, check, or Venmo. Note: In the event that a check is returned (insufficient funds, stopped payment, etc.), Consultant will pursue compensation to the maximum extent allowable by law.

<u>Attorney</u> – If legal action is necessary to enforce the terms of this contract the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney fees in addition to any other remedies to which that party might be legally entitled.

The undersigned have read this contract, understand its terms, and agree to be bound thereby. Any additions, deletions, or revisions must be made in writing and approved by all responsible parties. The parties agree that this contract is the complete and exclusive statement of the mutual understanding of the parties.

(Bride)	Date
(Groom)	Date
(Address)	 
(Phone):	 
(Officiant)	 Date