

Date Fee Paid: [Date Fee]
License No: [License #]
Ceremony Date: [Ceremony Date]
Time: [Time]

Civil Ceremony

WE ARE GATHERED HERE IN THE PRESENCE OF THESE WITNESSES (THIS WITNESS) TO JOIN **[Party 1]** AND **[Party 2]** TOGETHER IN MATRIMONY. THE CONTRACT OF MARRIAGE IS A MOST SOLEMN ONE AND NOT TO BE ENTERED INTO LIGHTLY, BUT THOUGHTFULLY AND SERIOUSLY AND WITH A DEEP REALIZATION OF ITS OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES. IF ANYONE CAN SHOW JUST CAUSE WHY THEY SHOULD NOT BE LAWFULLY JOINED TOGETHER, LET THEM SPEAK NOW, OR ELSE FOREVER HOLD THEIR PEACE.

(To Party 1)

[Party 1] will you take **[Party 2]** here present for your lawful wedded spouse?

Answer: (I will.)

(To Party 2)

[Party 2] will you take **[Party 1]** here present for your lawful wedded spouse?

Answer: (I will.)

(To Party 1 - Repeat after me)

I, **[Party 1]** take you **[Party 2]** for my lawful spouse, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health until death do us part.

(To Party 2 - Repeat after me)

I, **[Party 2]** take you **[Party 1]** for my lawful spouse, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, until death do us part.

(To be repeated as ring is placed on finger by Party 1)

With This Ring I Thee Wed.

(To be repeated as ring is placed on finger by Party 2)

With This Ring I Thee Wed.

BY THE POWER AND AUTHORITY VESTED BY LAW IN ME AS CLERK (or authorized Deputy Clerk) OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, I NOW PRONOUNCE YOU LAWFULLY MARRIED.

(Witness)

CLERK or AUTHORIZED DEPUTY CLERK

(Witness)