# Wedding Officiant Agreement Minister Janice

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This document constitutes the full and complete agreement between Minister Janice Beasley and (Bride)  Groom	
and (Bride) Groom (herein after called "Couple") executed on this day in the month of	and the year
Brides Legal Name:	_
Current Address:	
Phone: Email Address:	
Bride's Name as it is to be said during ceremony:	_
Groom's Legal Name:Current Address:	_
Phone: Email Address:	
Groom's Name as it is to be said during ceremony:	_
Date of Wedding: Time of Wedding:	
Location of Wedding:406 Armstrong Court, Laurel, MD 20707	

A \*non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 is required to consider this contract executed and to reserve a date and time.

The contract balance must be paid <u>BEFORE</u> the ceremony takes place by Credit/Debit, PayPal, Cash App, Cash, Money Order (NO CHECKS!)

Officiant agrees to perform the following services for the above named Couple, at the location on the date and time indicated.

Officiating of the marriage ceremony including a charge to the bride and groom, the exchanging of the vows, prayer, pronouncement of the union, first time introduction as husband and wife and submitting proper paperwork to the court house.

- Custom vows are accepted and must be given to the Officiant at least 48 hours prior to the ceremony for approval, unless couple has opted for traditional Christian vows. Failure to do so will result in traditional Christian vows being used.
- Officiant will not read, dictate, or otherwise participate in the exchanging of vows that contain any inappropriate wording or language including but not limited to the use of profanity; words or statements are offensive or express hatred towards any race, religion, creed, ethnicity, political party or any other individuals or groups of individuals. Other conditions of what is considered inappropriate wording or language is at the sole discretion of the Officiant.
- Officiant will arrive at least thirty (30) minutes prior to the start of the ceremony and remain on-site if requested for up to thirty (30 minutes) after the ceremony.
- Officiant will travel a distance of up to 50 miles to officiate at no additional charge. Couple understands and agrees that if the distance from Laurel, Maryland to the location of the wedding (one-way) exceeds 50 miles there will be an additional charge of \$1.00 for each additional mile or portion thereof.

#### **Cancellation of Services**

In the event that the Officiant is unable to perform the ceremony due to illness, hospitalization, family emergency,

transportation breakdown, or any other unforeseeable causes, she will make every possible attempt to notify the couple and find a suitable replacement. If no replacement can be found, the couple will receive a full refund for all pre-paid services, including deposit, and couple agrees that the Officiant will not be held liable for any damages (including punitive) due to the non-performance of the ceremony.

If the couple cancels services after an agreement is executed, all monies paid with the \*exception of the required deposit will be refunded.

### **Wedding Date Change**

Couple understands and agrees that if the date of the wedding needs to be changed, if the Officiant is available on the new date, couple may opt to modify this agreement for a fee of \$25.00. If the Officiant is unavailable on the new date, all monies paid with the \*exception of the required deposit will be refunded and this agreement is null and void and cancellation terms apply.

#### **Marriage License**

For a legal marriage to take place, the couple must obtain a valid marriage license in the state where the ceremony will take place. The marriage license needs to be presented to the Officiant <u>BEFORE</u> the ceremony can take place. Failure to have a valid license means that the Officiant cannot perform a legal marriage ceremony. It is the couple's responsibility to obtain a marriage license.

- Many jurisdictions require a waiting period between obtaining a marriage license and the date of the wedding ceremony. It is the couple's
  responsibility to inquire about the waiting period and to make sure the license is obtained early enough to allow for the required waiting period.
  The Officiant cannot perform a legal marriage ceremony if the waiting period has not expired.
- Marriage licenses may also have an expiration date, and must be signed by the couple and Officiant after the ceremony, and it is the Officiant's
  responsibility to return the executed copy to the designated circuit court. It is the couple's responsibility to make sure the date of the ceremony
  leaves sufficient time for the document to reach the court house by U.S. Postal Service before the expiration date. The document will be mailed
  to the designated Circuit Court the first business day following the ceremony.

#### **Additional Terms:**

- Couple is responsible for making sure that all scheduled events start and end on-time. Officiant is not obligated to say onsite for more than 45 minutes beyond the start time designated on this agreement unless a previous agreed arrangement has been made. After 45 minutes, there will be an additional charge of \$25.00 per hour or portion thereof.
- This agreement is valid for the date(s), time(s) and location(s) stated above. If the couple changes the time or date of any scheduled event, the Officiant reserves the right to cancel the performance of the ceremony, and shall in no way be held responsible or liable in any manner for such non-performance.
- This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties named herein, and may not be modified except in writing signed by both parties. No other representation or promises have been made except those that are set out in this agreement stated above.
- Along with the vows, couple agrees to submit an order of service at least 48 hours prior to the wedding.

#### **Virginia Residents Only**

The STATE OF VIRGINIA requires all out-of-state Minister's to pay a registration fee prior to performing each ceremony within its jurisdiction. This fee varies between counties and cities. Couple understands and agrees that this feel has been added in the Payment Terms portion to follow.

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## Disclaimer:

Minister Janice is Licensed and Ordained by the American Association of Christian Ministers, and locally licensed by Elder Edd Olds, Senior Pastor of Dominion Church of Joy House, a non-denominational church located in Laurel, Maryland. It is our belief that marriage as outlined by the Bible is to be between one man and one woman. As such Minister Janice does not officiate or participate in same sex marriages.