

MEDIATION FLAT FEE CONTRACT

We wish to obtain a Massachusetts divorce as simply and sensibly as possible. We are willing to make a good faith effort to reach agreement with the help of our mediator.

We agree to hire Attorney Patrick M. Morris as our mediator at a flat fee of \$2250.00. Attorney Morris will provide us with 3 in-person conferences, with reasonable email and follow-up. Attorney Morris will draft a Divorce Agreement which reflects the topics agreed upon in mediation and is suitable to present to the court at a divorce hearing.

We understand that the mediator we hire shall not represent either one or both of us as an attorney at any time in connection with our divorce. During the mediation, we agree to fully disclose all aspects of our financial situations and to participate fully in all efforts to arrive at a reasonable and fair settlement of the issues raised by our divorce. We understand that we may consult with our own respective attorneys at any time and have been fully advised of the benefits of doing so and are encouraged to do so.

We understand that Attorney Morris will maintain the confidentiality of the mediation. We agree that neither of us will seek to obtain the testimony of the mediator or the disclosure of the mediator's file in conjunction with any court proceeding.

We understand that the mediator is in charge of the mediation process and that he will give each of us equal time as much as possible during the process, and that he will not take sides other than to guide us to a reasonable and realistic agreement. We also understand that we are not required to agree to mediate any issue or to reach agreement on any issue.

Name

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Date

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