NAME EQUALITY ACT INFORMATION SHEET

Please read prior to completing your marriage license application.

Effective January 1, 2009, The Name Equality Act of 2007 (AB 102, Chapter 567, Statutes of 2007) gives specific rights to parties who are applying for their California marriage license, to choose and list on the marriage license, the new name(s) that each party will go by after marriage (Family Code 306.5) This new law only pertains to marriage licenses issued on or after January 1, 2009 and does not apply to marriage licenses issued prior to that date.

NOTE: Parties are not required to have the same name, nor are they required to change their name. If one or both of the parties want to have their new name(s) shown on their marriage license, the new name must be entered on the marriage license application at the time they are applying for their marriage license. The name you indicate on your marriage license application will be your name on the marriage license certificate and cannot be changed by the County Clerk. If you do not indicate a new name on your marriage license, a court order might be required to do a name change.

IMPORTANT:

- You may not change your first name using this process.
- You may not amend the marriage license after you have been married, to add or change the name you wish to be known as.

County Clerk staff cannot advise you how to complete the marriage license application as it relates to your entry of a new name or the retention of your former name on the marriage license application. For your protection, if you have any questions regarding whether you should or should not list your new name on the marriage license application, and/or how the Name Equality Act of 2007 may affect you, please consult an attorney prior to applying for your marriage license.

The marriage certificate is used by multiple local, state, federal and private agencies, each of which have different rules and or regulations regarding what documents are acceptable to change your name on their records following marriage. It is recommended that you contact these agencies to verify their requirements prior to applying for your marriage license.

Sign to acknowledge that you have read the above information sheet regarding the Name Equality Act of 2007.

First Person:_____

Second Person:_____

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE TO MARRY

PLEASE PRINT OR WRITE LEGIBILY

$56 LICENSE FEE

Are you getting married within the next ninety (90) days somewhere in California? Yes ☐ No ☐.

Do you need to re-register to vote because of a name change or Address change? Yes ☐ No ☐.

FIRST PERSON DATA ☐ Groom ☐ Bride	SECOND PERSON DATA ☐ Groom ☐ Bride
1a. First Name:	12a. First Name:
1b. Middle :	12b. Middle:
1c. Current Last:	12c. Current Last:
1d. Last Name at Birth (If different than 1c)	12d. Last Name at Birth: (if different than 12c)
2. Date of Birth: (M/D/Y)	13. Date of Birth: (M/D/Y)
3. State/Country of Birth:	14. State/Country of Birth:
4. Number of Previous Marriages/SRDP:	15. Number of Previous Marriages/SRDP:
5a. Last Marriage/SRDP Ended by: ☐DEATH ☐DISSOLUTION ☐ANNULMENT ☐TERM SRDP ☐ N/A	16a. Last Marriage/SRDP Ended by: ☐DEATH ☐DISSOLUTION ☐ANNULMENT ☐TERM SRDP ☐N/A
5b. Date Ended: (M/D/Y)	16b. Date Ended: (M/D/Y)
6. Address:	17. Address:
7. City:	18. City:
8. State/Country:	19. State/Country:
9. Zip Code:	20. Zip Code:
10a. Full Birth Name of Father/Parent:	21a.. Full Birth Name of Father/Parent:
10b. State of Birth: (If outside U.S. enter country)	21b. State of Birth (If outside U.S. enter country)
11a. Full Birth Name of Mother/Parent:	22a. Full Birth Name of Mother/Parent:
11b. State of Birth: (If outside U.S. enter country)	22b. State of Birth (If outside U.S. enter country)

NEW MIDDLE AND/OR LAST NAME OF PERSON LISTED IN 1A-1D (If any)		
23A. First Name- (Must be same as 1a)	23B. Middle Name	23C. Last Name

NEW MIDDLE AND/OR LAST NAME OF PERSON LISTED IN 12A-12D (If any)		
24A. First Name- (Must be same as 12a)	24B. Middle Name	24C. Last Name

AFFIDAVIT	WE THE UNDERSIGNED, DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE FOREGOING INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. WE FURTHER DECLARE THAT NO LEGAL OBJECTION TO THE MARRIAGE NOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF A LICENSE IS KNOWN TO US, AND HEREBY APPLY FOR A LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.	
	25. SIGNATURE OF PERSON LISTED IN FIELDS 1A-1D	26. . SIGNATURE OF PERSON LISTED IN FIELDS 12A-12D

FIRST PARTY: Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Date _____

SECOND PARTY: Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Date _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

(Circle all that apply)

$56 License **$40 Ceremony** **ID'S Verified by:_____**

$40 Deputization **$14 Certified Copy** **Total paid _____**

WITNESS NEEDED? YES NO **Ceremony Type: (1) Ring (2) Rings No Rings** **License typed by: _____**