Congratulations on Your Engagement!

Your wedding should be about you! I've created and led dozens (and dozens) of personalized, fun wedding ceremonies. I'd love to be your officiant. I've officiated weddings that ranged along the religious, spiritual, and secular spectrum. Are you Christian? Great. Spiritual but not religious? All good. Somewhere in between? Just fine.

<u>Pre-marriage</u>: In the months before the wedding, we will meet for 2 to 3 pre-marriage sessions. These meetings give me a couple chances to put you at ease and earn your trust, and to get a sense of the wedding ceremony you want to create.

At some point, I'll ask each of you write a letter addressed to one another, that you will initially submit just to me. Your letters grant me access into your individual personalities, hopes, and dreams. Sometimes they even find their way into my writing. Either way, they make the ceremony more personal and meaningful for you, and for your loved ones.

<u>Ceremony:</u> Weddings are diverse. Some are short and sweet. Others are formal and elaborate. Rather than list what's in a "typical" wedding, I'll say that most ceremonies last about 25-35 minutes. Whether informal or formal, the ceremony will reflect you and your relationship because the ceremony is something we'll co-create. I won't surprise you. You'll hear me speak words that you and I have agreed to. Most importantly, there will be laughter. Not because I'll rattle off a couple cheap jokes. But because laughter is a key ingredient in any memorable ceremony (and any lasting marriage).

Fees: My prices—based on my time, expertise, and the demand for my services reflect the following: being on call, planning, research and use of materials; pre-wedding coordination; travel time; officiating your ceremony; filing legal documents; my compassion, creativity, and a promise to do everything in my power to create a radiant, heart-felt ceremony you and your guests will remember. The fees are \$400 and \$450 with a rehearsal with a \$200 non-refundable deposit (due immediately). The deposit will go towards the balance owed to the me. My mileage fee is the same as the IRS's. If you want me to officiate somewhere I'll have to stay the night, you'll need to pick up the bill for my overnight in a (reasonably priced) hotel of my choosing.

Whatever you decide, I wish you happiness and a long life together.

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