## **Sample Statement of Premarital Education**

This is a <u>SAMPLE</u> of the Statement of Premarital Education. A similar signed, dated, and notarized Statement of Premarital Education <u>on the educator's letterhead</u> who provided the premarital education must also be submitted when applying for a marriage license. The names of the parties in this statement must be identical to the legal names of the parties as they appear in the marriage license application. A church seal may be used in lieu of a notary signature.

## Minnesota Statute 517.08, subd. 1 c

The civil marriage license fee for parties who have completed at least 12 hours of premarital education is \$40. In order to qualify for the reduced license fee, the parties must submit at the time of applying for the civil marriage license a statement that is signed, dated, and notarized or marked with a church seal from the person who provided the premarital education **on their letterhead** confirming that it was received. The premarital education must be provided by a licensed or ordained minister or the minister's designee, a person authorized to solemnize civil marriages under section <u>517.18</u>, or a person authorized to practice marriage and family therapy under section <u>148B.33</u>. The education must include the use of a premarital inventory and the teaching of communication and conflict management skills.

## SAMPLE STATEMENT OF PREMARITAL EDUCATION

"I, [NAME OF EDUCATOR], confirm that [NAME OF FIRST APPLICANT] and [NAME OF SECOND APPLICANT] received at

least 12 hours of premarital education that included the use of a premarital inventory and the teaching of communication and conflict management skills. I am a licensed or ordained minister, a person authorized to solemnize civil marriages under Minnesota Statutes, Section 517.18, or a person licensed to practice marriage and family therapy under Minnesota Statutes, Section 148B.33."

Dated:

Signature of Educator

Printed Name of Educator

NOTARY PUBLIC

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this [DATE] day of [MONTH], [YEAR].

Signature of Notary

Dakota County

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My commission expires: [MONTH DAY], [YEAR].

Notary Seal