



Event Date : {{DATE}}

Time Photography Starts: {{TIME}}

This agreement is between, Mark Grutzmacher Photography, hereinafter referred to as the "Photographer", operating in the State of Maryland, and the signers of this portrait photography agreement, {{CLIENT}}, hereinafter referred to as the "Clients", collectively referred to as the "Parties", with the portrait session detailed below.

The package list and price list and/or documents attached to this contract are integral parts of this document. The contract terms, agreement, and price list are the only legally binding documents between the Parties.

### **Contracting Parties**

{{CLIENT NAME / ADDRESS / PHONE / EMAIL}}

### **Event Information**

{{CLIENT NAME / ADDRESS / PHONE / EMAIL}}

### **Agreement Overview**

This agreement contains the entire understanding between the Photographer and the Client. It supersedes all prior and simultaneous agreements between the Parties. The only way to add or change this agreement is to do so in writing, signed by all the Parties. If the Parties want to waive one provision of this agreement, that does not mean that any other provision is also waived. The party against whom a waiver is sought to be effective must have signed a waiver in writing.

### **Coverage**

Coverage will begin at [COVERAGE START DATE/TIME] , and continue for the number of hours purchased, contiguously.



## **Change of Date or Venue**

The Photographer must be notified immediately of any changes in schedule or location, at least **7 days** prior to the scheduled date of event. Notification of any changes shall be made by written notice sent via email for documentation. If an email is sent, a confirmation of receipt will be sent back by the Photographer in via email. It is the client's responsibility to confirm all arrangements at least **7-10** days prior to the event.

## **Deposit**

A retainer fee of **\$50.00** is required for all portrait sessions and general hire. This is a non-refundable retainer. In the event of cancellation, the retainer paid is non-refundable. It shall be liquidated for damages to the Photographer in the event of a cancellation, or breach of contract by the Client. No date is reserved until a retainer is received. The retainer shall be applied towards the total cost of the service to be rendered. The balance of the complete package price must be paid before or on the day of event. If final payment is not received, the Photographer will not be expected to attend said event. Additional custom orders (reprints, enlargements, albums) must be paid in full at the time of order.

## **Cancellation**

There shall be no refund of retainer after the signing of the Agreement and the reservation of the photography date. If the event is canceled within two weeks of the date, the client shall pay the balance of the contract due to the high probability that the Photographer will not be able to further book that date. Once a balance is paid, it is non-refundable. Any other arrangements shall be discussed between the Clients and the Photographer. All arrangements will be put in writing. Cancellation must be in writing even if a phone call was made to inform the Photographer of the cancellation.

## **Exclusive Photographer**

The Photographer and/or any photographers hired by the Photographer to photograph shall be the exclusive photographer(s) retained by the Client for the purpose of the portrait photography. Family and friends of the clients and other event vendors shall not interfere with the Photographer's duties. Guests will be asked to refrain from taking flash photographs at certain intervals of the event to ensure proper exposure of images.



## **Copyright / Client Usage**

Title (possession) of and copyright to all products shall remain with the Photographer until client has paid in full. All photos are copyrighted. The negatives and or digital images (hereinafter collectively the "images") created by the Photographer and/or subcontractor(s) remain the property of the Photographer. It is illegal to copy, scan, reproduce, or post online in forums or elsewhere without the written permission of the Photographer. Violators of this federal law will be subject to its civil and criminal penalties.

The Photographer retains the copyright to all images produced by the Photographer and/or the Photographer's subcontractors. If purchasing Hi-Resolution images on CD/DVD, Clients will be given a written usage license to make personal copies of images from CDs or DVDs. The client understands the images given on CD/DVD cannot be used for profit or advertising and all posting of images on the internet must be acknowledged as images by the Photographer.

## **Expenses**

Travel expenses such as parking, shipping, or destination fees must be reimbursed to the Photographer and will be added to the balance due after the event. Travel fees are pre-determined and will be set out in the initial payment total. Clients are responsible for all location fees and permits.

## **Event Food Service**

A light meal is required for events up to 6 hours for the Photographer. For events up to and past 8 hours a full course meal is required. If no meal is provided, it is understood that the Photographer will leave the event to purchase a meal.

## **Garments**

The Photographer cannot be held responsible for damage to Garments due to environmental events. Client is responsible to arrange personal assistance for garments.

## **Creative License**

Images are edited at the Photographer's discretion, and delivered prints may not include all images shot. The



Photographer reserves the creative rights to edit and release only those images deemed creditable as professional in quality and within the photographer's artistic standards. On its own behalf, and on the behalf of the subject, Client acknowledges that it is familiar with the Photographer's portfolio and is requesting Services with knowledge of the Photographer's style; that Photographer's work is constantly evolving; that Photographer's services are of unique and artistic nature; that the photos may be different from photographs taken by the Photographer in the past; and that in creating the photos, the Photographer shall use her personal artistic judgment to create images consistent with her personal vision of the Event, which vision may be different from the Client's and/or the Subject's vision of the Event. Accordingly, Client acknowledges that the Photos shall not be subject to rejection on the basis of taste or esthetic criteria.

### **Social Media**

It is understandable that the Client might want to post their new photographs on the Internet via Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr, Instagram, and/or any other social media outlets. This agreement will serve to allow posting low-resolution or high-resolution photos to social media sites, only in the case that Mark Grutzmacher Photography is credited and that photos are NOT altered with editing or filters. Additionally, it is understood that the client will NOT remove, or have removed, watermarks from Internet images Mark Grutzmacher Photography has uploaded to Facebook or their website, or from the low-resolution images offered for free to clients who have purchased prints. The Client or any guest can purchase photographs that do not have a watermark.

You are permitted to click the "share" button on any photos posted to Mark Grutzmacher Photography's Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/MarkGPhotography>) page or website (<http://photo.markgrutzmacher.com>). Sharing can NOT be done via screen shots of photos on Facebook or the Proofing gallery.

### **Returned Checks**

Returned checks are subject to a \$35.00 returned check fee. Client assumes responsibility for any and all collection costs and legal fees incurred by the Photographer in the event that enforcement of this contract becomes necessary. All legal action shall be taken appropriately.

### **Failure to Perform**

If the Photographer or its assigns cannot perform this Agreement due to a fire, casualty, strike or other civil disturbances, Acts of God, including but not limited to, road closures, severe traffic, fire, terrorism or other causes beyond the control of the parties, then the Photographer shall return any moneys paid by the Client, less retainer fee and expenses, but shall have no further liability with respect to the Agreement. This limitation of liability shall also apply in the event that photographic materials are damaged, lost through camera malfunction, compact flash card malfunction, or otherwise lost or damaged without the fault on the part of the Photographer. The limit of liability for a partial loss of originals shall be a prorated amount of the exposures lost based on the percentage of total number of originals.



Due to the limited and subjective nature of the event, the Photographer cannot be held responsible for requested photographs not taken or missed, lack of coverage resulting from weather conditions, or schedule complications caused by but not limited to, anyone in or at the event, or by the church or location restrictions. The Photographer is not responsible for lost photo opportunities due to other cameras or flashes, the lateness of the clients or other principles. The Photographer is not responsible for the lack of coverage due to weather conditions, scheduling complications due to lateness of individuals, rules and restrictions of venue, or the rendering of decorations of the location. It is acknowledged that any lists submitted to the Photographer will be used for organizational purposes only and in no way represent photography that will actually be produced. The Photographer will do its best to fulfill all requests but can make no guarantees all images will be delivered. The Photographer recommends that the Client point out important individuals for informal or candid photographs to the photographer during portrait shooting that they wish to have photographed. The Photographer will not be held accountable for not photographing desired people if there is no one to assist in identifying people or gathering people for photographs. The Photographer is not responsible if key individuals fail to appear or cooperate during photography sessions or for missed images due to details not revealed to the Photographer. Clients are responsible for all location fees and permits.

### **Cost of Portrait Photography**

Please make all checks payable to Mark Grutzmacher Photography. All costs for services are itemized on the final invoice.

### **Package Details:**

*Wedding, Bridal, Engagement*

*3 Creative Looks*

*700 Raw High Definition Photos On Disk Same Day Of Shoot*

*After Clients Chose 20 Photos, 20 Edited, Retouched High Definition Photos within 3 Days of Clients Choice*

*Normal event pricing at \$75 hour. Paying for 6 hours, getting 2 hours for free. 10% off of bridal session.*

*UP TO 8 HOURS OF COVERAGE ON THE DAY OF THE WEDDING INCLUDING PREP TIME BEFORE THE CEREMONY, THE CEREMONY, POST CEREMONY WITH COUPLE, WEDDING PARTY AND FAMILY, AND RECEPTION.*

*1 HOUR BRIDAL SESSION - 10 EDITS*

*1 HOUR ENGAGEMENT SESSION - 10 EDITS*

*A DISC FROM EACH SESSION INCLUDING ALL WORTHY ORIGINALS PLUS THE CORRECT AMOUNT OF EDITS.*

### **Additional Products:**



250 edits = \$175

Extra Half Hour x \$50/hr = \$0

Initial Collection Total = \$0

Sub Total \$0+ Sales tax \$0= Final Total \$0

**FINAL TOTAL COLLECTIONS BALANCE DUE:**

This total is due before or on the date of event. No photography will be fulfilled without payment in full.

This is a contract for personal photography services to be provided by the Photographer and/or individuals subcontracted to do work for the Photographer. The Parties agree to the above and below terms and conditions, and acknowledge that they have received, read, and understand the Photographer's current price list.

This agreement is entered into on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, by and between Photographer and Client.

In CONSIDERATION of the mutual promises set forth herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Client hereby engages Photographer to provide services in accordance with the terms of this contract. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Maryland.

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Photographer

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Client(s)

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Witness