



PRENUPS

and the Elephant in the Room

A Handbook for the Prenup Process

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What are your goals when entering into a prenup?

The purpose of this appendix is to help you prioritize your goals in making a prenup with your fiancé. Prenups are tailored to your specific situation. A prenup can give insight into your and your fiancé's financial situation, your plan for the future, and how you plan to divide any responsibilities during the marriage. Once you evaluate what is most important to you, it will help the process to run more smoothly as the agreement is drafted by your attorney.

PRIORITIES (1 = not important; 5 = extremely important)	1	2	3	4	5
Protecting separate ownership of property acquired prior to marriage a) Home or apartment unit b) Business c) Retirement assets d) Other property					
Establishing responsibility for debt acquired prior to marriage (e.g., student loans or credit card debt) Addressing debt incurred during the marriage (e.g., will major purchases require joint consent?)					

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Establishing whether income earned during the marriage will be considered marital or separate property					
Establishing whether contributions to retirement plans and other savings during the marriage will be marital or separate property					
Providing for children from a prior relationship					
Addressing maintenance/spousal support in the event of divorce					
<p>Identifying estate planning needs</p> <p>Deciding whether each party will have rights to the other party's estate pursuant to state law or whether such rights will be waived</p>					
Addressing use of social media					

