

CIVIL CEREMONY SCRIPT

Judge: Welcome to this civil marriage ceremony.

Judge: Today these couples come to be joined together in the vows of marriage.

Judge: Into the institution of marriage these couples come now to be united. Matrimony should not be entered into casually, but with reverence, discretion, and consideration of the responsibilities involved. From this day forward you both enter into a covenant with each other, to wed for better or worse, for richer or poorer, in sickness and in health, so long as you both shall live.

Judge: If you take each other to be lawfully wed please announce "I do".

Couples: I do.

Judge: In accordance with the power vested in me by the State of Ohio, I now pronounce you lawfully married.

Judge: Congratulations.