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**TIE THE KNOT BUT DON'T STRANGLE THE ROMANCE!!
IT IS POSSIBLE!!**

1. **THE "HOT POTATO" FACTOR**

2. **THE LAW: THE ROLE OF THE LAW IN THE PREMARITAL DIALOGUE**

3. **BENEFITS OF THE PROCESS**

A. **Distinguish Collaborative from "standard representation"**

B. Benefits of the Collaborative Premarital Dialogue

(1) Communication

(2) Clarifying Expectations and Financial Realities

(3) Joint Problem Solving and Joint Goals

(4) Control of Financial Issues in the Event of a Divorce

4. THE POPULATIONS WE SERVE: CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS

A. Later Life Marriages

B. Subsequent Marriages

C. Dual Professional or Two Income Families

D. Extended Families or Business Partners

E. Married couples wishing to change the pre nup

5. THE SUBSTANCE

A. Dissolution

B. During Marriage

C. Estate Planning

6. THE MODEL

A. Telephone Conference with Client

B. Initial Client Meeting:

C. Enrollment in the Process

D. Collaborative Sessions or Mediation Sessions:

(1) Format:

(2) Content

a. Client generated interests/ concerns

b. **Checklist of items for discussion**: See Attached Questions

c. **Resolving Areas of non agreement:**

E. Drafting the Agreement

F. Reviewing the Draft

G. Signing The Agreement

H. Follow up With the Client