**Civil Wedding Sample 1**

**Welcome to family and friends:**We have come together today for the marriage of Bride and Groom. The legal requirements of this state having been fulfilled, and the license for your marriage being present, I must ask of each party if you come of your own free will and accord.

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, do you come to this union of your free will, and with the intention of being faithful in marriage to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as long as you shall live?

Groomanswers *"I do."*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, do you come to this union of your free will, and with the intention of being faithful in Marriage to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as long as you shall live?

Bride answers *"I do."*

***Vows:***Please repeat the following after me:  
I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, do take you, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to be my lawfully wedded wife. I promise from this day forward to be your faithful husband, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, as long as I shall live.

Please repeat after me:  
I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, do take you, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to be my lawfully wedded husband. I promise from this day forward to be your faithful wife, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, as long as I shall live.  
  
R***ings***  
The wedding ring seals the vows of marriage . As the ring is placed upon the finger, will you repeat these words:

In pledge of the vow of marriage made between us, I offer you this ring. Let it be to you and to me, and to all the world, the symbol of marriage we have accepted.

We have come together in this place and have heard the willingness of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be joined in marriage. You have come of your own free will and have made a promise of faithfulness. You have given and received a rings as the seal of your promises.

Therefore, by the power vested in me by the state of California I pronounce that you are husband and wife.