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10 things you should know before signing a prenup

Check out this insider information from seasoned Family Lawyers **KELLY MCCLURE**, Managing Partner and CEO and **FRANCESCA BLACKARD**, Managing Partner of **MCCLURE LAW GROUP**, an elite family law firm located in the Park Cities:

1 Prenups Are Not Just for the Ultra-Wealthy

You do not need private jets or multiple homes to benefit from a prenuptial agreement. Prenups can help protect businesses, future inheritances, retirement accounts, and personal assets of all sizes.

2 Timing Matters

One of the biggest mistakes couples make is waiting too long to start the conversation. Bringing up a prenup shortly before the wedding can create unnecessary stress and pressure. Talk to an attorney before you propose and definitely before you set a date.

3 Prenups Save You Money

While no one enters marriage expecting divorce, a clear agreement can reduce uncertainty and costly disputes if the unexpected happens.

4 The Best Prenups Protect Both People

A thoughtfully prepared prenup is not about planning for failure. It is about approaching marriage with honesty, preparation, and long-term perspective.

5 Separate Legal Counsel Is Important

Each person should have independent legal representation to negotiate terms that benefit both parties.

6 Prenups Can Address Debt

A prenuptial agreement may help define responsibility for existing or future debts acquired during the marriage.

7 Full Financial Disclosure Is Essential

Both parties should fully disclose assets, debts, income, and financial obligations. Transparency is critical to create an enforceable agreement.

8 Prenups Protect Premarital Assets

A prenup identifies which properties, businesses, or savings remain separate property.

9 A Prenup Is Part Financial Planning, Part Legal Planning

The process often encourages couples to have important conversations about goals, expectations, and financial philosophy.

10 A Prenup Can Protect Future Business Interests

Entrepreneurs and professionals often use prenups to separate business growth from marital property disputes.

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