## Contract ideas for a Dog (female) Co-Ownership

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- 1. Whose is the primary caretaker/who will the bitch live with?
- 2. Will she always live with this person?
- 3. Will she go back and forth?
- 4. At what point is the bitch spayed and is to be a pet?
- 5. Which party keeps her?
- 6. Do you sell her?
- 7. What if the non-custodial partner picks her up and won't return her?
- 8. Will it be a monetary fee?
- 9. Sign off the on registration?
- 10. Attorney's fees?
- 11. What state will the litigation be in?
- 12. Who pays for food?
- 13. Who decides what food and supplements are used?
- 14. Who pays for the bathing/grooming of the bitch?
- 15. What if the bitch is allowed to get fat?
- 16. Who is responsible for conditioning her?
- 17. Who will train/take her to handling classes?
- 18. What age does training start?
- 19. How often?
- 20. What if she is neglected?
- 21. What if she is bred without permission?
- 22. Who chooses the stud dog?
- 23. Who pays the stud fee?
- 24. What if you don't agree? How do you resolve it?
- 25. What if one of the parties wants to use their own dog for this girl?
- 26. Will the opposite party be listed as co-owner?
- 27. Who pays for day to day Vet bills? (Vaccines, worming & heartworm preventative?
- 28. Who pays for breeding related Veterinary bills
- 29. Clearances?
- 30. Pre breeding smears? cultures? cytology?
- 31. Progesterone/LH testimg?
- 32. Who decides breeding method? Natural? Artificial Insemination? Surgical Insemination? Or TCI?
- 33. Brucellosis tests?
- 34. Misc. testing
- 35. Who determines if it's cesarean delivery or natural delivery?
- 36. What if it's an emergency, who decides ultimately if it's time to section?
- 37. What if the litter is lost and there is huge bills to pay?
- 38. What if both the bitch and the litter are lost? Who pays all outstanding bills?
- 39. What happens if the litter contracts CHV or another life threatening virus? Who pays?Or do you try to save at all?
- 40. Will the bitch be kept in isolation during the vulnerable period of 3 weeks before breeding and until the puppies are at least 3 weeks old?
- 41. Or will she still be shown during pregnancy?
- 42. What if she develops pyometra? Do you treat her or spay her?

- 43. Who decides the vaccine protocol to be used?
- 44. How many litters will she have?
- 45. Will you breed back to back?
- 46. Who will be there? Both parties?
- 47. Who will raise the puppies?
- 48. What age do the puppies go to new homes?
- 49. Who decides on new owners?
- 50. Who decides on how to register puppies? Limited or Full?
- 51. Who pays expenses on the raising of puppies?
- 52. How are any profits divided?
- 53. Who decides how much to sell the pups for?
- 54. Who makes up the sales contract for the puppies
- 55. If one of the parties wants to keep a puppy, what is the fee? Is the pup free? Co owned? Are both parties listed as breeders of the litter?
- 56. What if an accident happens and she is injured? Who pays?
- 57. What if injury is so severe, who decides euthanasia?
- 58. What if she needs surgery? Who pays?
- 59. Does the assigned person pay Veterinary Clinic, or reimburse you?
- 60. What happens if the assigned person doesn't pay?
- 61. What happens if she dies accidently?
- 62. What happens if she gets a terminal disease? Who pays?
- 63. What happens if the custodian spays without co-owners consent? Any consequences?
- 64. Who decides the stud dog to be used?
- 65. What if the stud dog only has prelims or no clearance at all?
- 66. Does he have to be titled?
- 67. Does he have to be health tested?
- 68. Does he have to be AKC registered?
- 69. Does the opposite party have the option to veto the choice of whom the bitch is bred?
- 70. Will you take turns deciding?
- 71. Do you have to agree?
- 72. Who pays the stud service money
- 73. Who decides the amount to pay for the stud fee?
- 74. What if stud owner wants a puppy in lieu of a stud fee? Who decides the pick order?
- 75. And if a puppy is kept by bitch owner or owners, will both A & B on the registration?
- 76. What about a kennel name on the puppy or puppies that are kept?
- 77. What happens if the she accidently mates with one of the parties dogs?
- 78. Do you split the litter?
- 79. Does the other get a stud fee?
- 80. Do you terminate the litter?
- 81. Is there compensation if the custodian has to house and take care of bitch raising the litter?
- 82. Who decides where the bitch will be bred?
- 83. Who pays entry fees?
- 84. Who decides which shows to enter? Which class to enter her?
- 85. Which one will show, or will you hire a handler?
- 86. If a handler is used, who pays?
- 87. How long will she be with a handler? Until finished? What if it takes a long time?
- 88. When do you call it quits?
- 89. Will she be Specialed? For how long?

- 90. Who decides which handler to use?
- 91. Who is responsible to deliver and pick up the dog from the handler?
- 92. Will there be advertising? Who pays?
- 93. What if a backer comes forth, who makes that decision?-Will the backer be on the registration?-What compensation is agreed on for the backer?
- 94. Who takes care of the paperwork involved with breeding and registering puppies?
- 95. Whose name will the microchip be in? Both?
- 96. Will you ship puppies out of the country? To all countries?
- 97. Whose name will the bitch be registered too? Both?
- 98. Which kennel name is used?
- 99. Who decides the registered name? Call name?
- 100. What happens if one of the co-owners die? And the remaining co-owner doesn't want the bitch? Or can't physically take care of her?
- 101. What happens if she is injured or dies, making any of these questions impossible or at the minimum very difficult?
- 102. What if she is infertile?
- 103. What if there is a disgruntled puppy owner and there is litigation?
- 104. Who pays?
- 105. How much will that buy out amount be?
- 106. What if the 2 owners just can't get along?
  - -Do you dissolve partnership?
  - -Hire a 3<sup>rd</sup> party to mediate?
  - -Does ones party buy out the other?
  - -Or do you sell the bitch outright?