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Dear Intended Parent(s)

This is an informational letter about Surrogate Parenting issues and costs. We advertise for Surrogate Carriers on a continual basis in parent press magazines and Surrogate Carrier candidates are applying each week.

We will match any other free standing (not a part of a fertility clinic) agency's administrative fees and expense reimbursement amounts to the surrogate carrier.

You can review my web site, www.jackiegortonnurseattorney.com, for more detailed information. **Please note the fees listed below may change without notice. WE DO NOT ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS; Checks and money orders are fine.** General fees are as follows:

IVF/GESTATIONAL SURROGACY

Free.....One hour initial consultation by phone or in person
Fees paid with Agency Contract SignedFacilitated meetings with 2 different surrogates at our office (IP pays for surrogate's travel costs and \$25 for her time in the meeting)
\$100Background Check Per Person
\$18,000 (\$21,000 for International Intended Parents).....Administrative Fee

The administrative fee includes the cost of advertising, screening and interviewing of Surrogate Carrier candidates, drafting and revising of contract, follow up consultations with Surrogate & Intended Parents, coordination of psychological and medical screening and follow up appointments, payment of surrogate's expenses, submission of monthly accounting reports and maintenance of adequate balance and accounting of trust account until final bills are paid.

Each Surrogate candidate will ask her physician for a letter clearing her to be pregnant. The cost of the Surrogate's initial psychological evaluation is **not** included in this fee. However, this fee includes facilitation services for up to three different Surrogates if the selected Surrogate proves to be unsuitable. Each Surrogate contracts to participate in three separate transfers of embryos as long as the attending physician so approves. Secondly, all Surrogates must agree to a reduction if there are more than two embryos and to a saline induced abortion if an amniocentesis shows severe genetic defects and the Intended Parents so request. Furthermore, a background check is completed on each Surrogate and her partner to check if there is any bankruptcy, misdemeanor or felony record.

Initial work includes consultations with Intended Parents and the Surrogate so that the contract is a formalization of terms already agreed upon by the parties. This preparatory work should facilitate attorney representation regarding the contract terms as the Surrogate and Intended Parents are represented by separate attorneys. All attorney fees for such representations are paid for by the Intended Parents.

The attorneys will advise the parties as to their rights and interests and verify that the parties understand the extent of their commitment pursuant to the contract. Attorney fees may range from \$500 to \$750 for each party depending upon how much time the attorney spends working with the Surrogate and the Intended Parents.

\$20,000 - \$40,000 +Surrogate Carrier's Costs
Lost Wages, Travel costs, Insurance Premiums, Deductibles, Co-payments, Legal Fees,
Maternity Clothes Allowance, Housekeeping Costs, Child Care Costs, etc.

\$25,000 - \$27,000 (+ \$5,000 for twins).....Surrogate Carrier's Service Fee

\$28,000 - \$37,000+ (negotiable) + \$5,000 for twins)Repeat Surrogate Carrier's Service Fee

At your initial consultation, we will discuss the process of surrogate parenting, and our role during this complex time for both you and your Surrogate. I am very careful in my selection of surrogates and intended parents. I select who to work with after review of background checks, medical and psychological screenings required of each participant, as well as upon personal interviews conducted by my staff and/or myself.

I recommend that you have a consultation with my office **before** you set up your appointment with Nancy Boughey, MSW, LCSW. **Once you have completed your evaluation with Nancy Boughey - (415) 457-3959, we will proceed with contractual arrangements.** Upon receipt of a signed contract with the agency, and fifty percent of the administrative fee and \$3,000 of the Surrogate's cost reimbursement, we will schedule medical appointments for your selected Surrogate Carrier.

I hope that this information is helpful and I look forward to working with you.

Directions to my office located in my home are written below.

Sincerely,

Jacquelyne Gorton, MSN, JD

Directions to our Office

From San Francisco or the Richmond Bridge:

101 North to **Central San Rafael Exit**, right at light on to 2nd Street, which turns into San Pedro Road, stay on San Pedro Road for 5 miles, go past McNears Beach Park, left on Biscayne Drive, 1st left on Biscayne Court until #25, an off white house on the left.

From East Bay:

Take I-580 West and cross the **Richmond San Rafael Bridge**. Stay on 580 east to 101 North take first exit (1/2 mile after getting on 101 N) Central San Rafael Exit. (Follow directions above to #25 Biscayne Court).

From Santa Rosa:

101 South to Central San Rafael Exit, left at last light on to 2nd St., which turns into 3rd St. and then into San Pedro Rd., stay on San Pedro Rd. for 5 miles, go past McNears Beach Park, left on Biscayne Drive, 1st left on Biscayne Court until #25, an off white house behind Redwood trees on the left.

From San Jose or the Peninsula:

Take I-280 North to 19th Street. Follow 19th Street through Golden Gate Park and the Presidio, through tunnel toward the Golden Gate Bridge (101 North). Take 101 North to **Central San Rafael Exit**, right at light on to 2nd Street, which turns into San Pedro Road, stay on San Pedro Road for 5 miles, go past McNears Beach Park, left on Biscayne Drive, 1st left on Biscayne Court until #25, an off white house on the left.