

BGU 4.1099

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Other texts on the verso: BGU 4.1161

Marriage contract (*synchoresis*)

Before 14/13 BC?

(a) *Addressee*

<sup>1</sup> To Protarchos, who is in charge of the tribunal,

(b1) *Party 1*

<sup>2</sup> from Ch...ion, the daughter of Hermogenes, a citizen, with <sup>3</sup> as guardian Hermogenes, the son of Dorion, from the deme of Epiphanes,

(b2) *Party 2*

<sup>4</sup> and from Herakleides, the son of Herakleides, from the deme of Gam...

(c) *Joint agreement about the fact of marriage*

<sup>5</sup> Concerning the points at issue, we agree <sup>6</sup> that we have come together with one another for a joint life,

(d) *Agreement about the receipt of the dowry by the husband*

<sup>7</sup> and Herakleides agrees that he has received from Ch...ion <sup>8</sup> in cash and not through a bank as a dowry including clothing and <sup>9</sup> gold jewelry (BL 7.18) and coined silver: all together a total <sup>10</sup> of 200+ silver drachmas,

(e1) *Agreement about marital duties 1: on the husband's part*

<sup>11</sup> and Herakleides agrees from now on to provide <sup>12</sup> Ch...ion with all necessary things and the <sup>13</sup> clothing as a wedded wife in accordance with the means <sup>14</sup> of his belongings and not to harm her <sup>15</sup> nor to abuse her nor to ... <sup>16</sup> nor to commit an injustice <sup>17</sup> against her nor to ... <sup>18</sup> or else to pay back immediately the <sup>19</sup> aforementioned dowry along with half as much again, while the <sup>20</sup> right of execution (*of the claim*) belongs to Ch...ion from <sup>21</sup> Herakleides himself and from <sup>22</sup> all his belongings just as if <sup>23</sup> by virtue of a legal decision ...