

## **ABOUT BIRTH STORY VIDEOGRAPHY**

Thank you for considering us to capture your upcoming birth story! Ken & Corie Strong are passionate about producing films featuring the amazing moments in life. Birth stories are full of raw emotion and beautifully intense moments. There is nothing more awe inspiring than capturing the moments when a couple becomes a family, a little boy becomes a big brother, a mom becomes a grandma... and on and on! These are moments that pass too quickly and we strive to capture them in a way that can be shared and enjoyed for many years to come.

Our goal during your child's birth is to be as unobtrusive as possible while filming the event. Whether you are having a natural birth at home or giving birth at a hospital, your birth can effectively be documented through videography.

During our consultation meeting we will ask you about your birth plan, what you are wanting us to capture, and if you have any video examples of what you are looking for in your birth story. This is a great time to get to know each other so that you can be comfortable with us on the big day. Birth is an intimate and beautiful event and we consider it an honor to be able to capture it for you!

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:**

1) Who will be filming my baby's birth?

Ken & Corie Strong are the only members of the KSP Cinematic Team that film Birth Story footage. We will be the only ones coming to your birth. All editing of your film is also performed by Ken & Corie. Both Ken and Corie have backgrounds in emergency medicine and have taken part in the medical role of assisting with births. Corie is a mother of three boys, an emergency medical technician on an ambulance, and has worked within a hospital emergency department. Ken has been an emergency Paramedic for over 20 years and has personally delivered three babies in his role as an emergency responder. Though their role in your birth is purely to capture these precious moments, their personal experience and careers in medicine provide them a unique understanding of the birth process and hospital policies.

2) What types of births can you attend?

We can film at home, birth center, or hospital births (even c-sections), however it is important that you verify the policies in your particular hospital to find out what they allow.

Do you travel for births?

3) We really wish we could. However, due to the unpredictable nature of birth, we can only assure our presence at births within our region of Northern Indiana.

4) How long will it take to get my film?

Typical delivery of the finished Birth Story video is 4-6 weeks.

5) When should I plan to book?

As soon as possible! Since there are only two of us to film Birth Stories, and we prefer to commit the entire week of the “due date” to our expecting parents, we can only commit to so many Birth Stories per year. If you want to secure your date, the sooner you book the better!

6) How do I book?

Please email [birthstory@kenstrong.com](mailto:birthstory@kenstrong.com) when you know your expected due date. Once we have confirmed our availability for the week of your due date, we will email a video agreement for you to fill out and return along with a deposit of ½ of the contract total price. Once we receive your signed video agreement and deposit, your date is booked! We will then plan a meeting time so we can discuss your birth plan, and get to know each other. The remainder of the balance is not due until your video is completed and ready for delivery.

## **Birth Videography Pricing**

\$750-\$1000 (depending on due date and location) Keep in mind that this total covers everything “behind the scenes” including our time & travel to our initial meeting and for your delivery, on-call arrangements for the week of your scheduled “due date”, editing time, and final delivery of your completed video. The only additional fee would be incurred in the event that labor exceeds 8 hours, at which time accommodations at a hotel close to your delivery location may be requested.

What’s included?

Approximately 4-7 hours of videographer time, capturing the highlights of your labor, birth, and time with family, utilizing 1-2 professional quality, high-definition, cameras. We intend to provide at least one videographer for your birth but, in some cases, both of us may be available to be attend. Our goal is to capture every precious moment for you. Our focus is less on our overall time than it is being dedicated to this amazing moment in your life. In most cases our time begins when we arrive at your birthing facility (when you are in active labor) and ends 1-2 hours after birth.

Professional cinematic style video editing with unlimited transitions and background music of your choice.

3 custom printed BluRay Disks or DVDs containing your completed Birth Story video, which will also be uploaded to a private link for your own personal sharing via email or social media.

# Birth Story Contract / Video Agreement

Hiring a birth videographer frees up your support people and ensures you get those important moments captured. Birth & labor are very unpredictable and therefore these are not typical sessions. The lighting may be dim and planning what's going to happen can be difficult. We shoot your labor & birth as it unfolds, in a photo-journalistic style. We are sensitive to your needs as a laboring woman and understand our role is to document quietly and unobtrusively. Having been on both sides of the birth process, we also understand which special moments you may want and how to ensure that they are captured forever. Below are some guidelines to ensure that we can give you the best experience possible. Please read and then provide your signature.

Your birth session includes:

- Videography for labor, delivery, and post-delivery.
- Five custom DVD or BluRay disks containing your completed Birth Story video.
- Uploaded Birth Story video via a private link on YouTube for your personal sharing via email or social media.
- \$50 credit to use towards a future portrait session through Corie Strong Photography

## PAYMENT & LOGISTICS

A non-refundable deposit of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is required to secure your due date. The remainder of the balance in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is not due until your Birth Story video is complete and ready for delivery. Delivery of the finished video is typically 4-6 weeks after the birth. The only additional fee would be incurred in the event that your labor exceeds 8 hours, at which time accommodations at a hotel (Holiday Inn Express or equivalent) close to your delivery location may be required. This would only be applicable if your delivery location is more than 30 miles from our home office in Warsaw, Indiana.

### **What to do when "It's Time!"**

Please contact us as soon as you \*think\* you might be in labor so we can begin making plans to be there. Even if it's 2 a.m. , even if it's a false alarm, we'd much rather be ready to roll than to miss the event! It is also helpful for us if you check in after doctor's appointments in the weeks before labor and let us know how things are progressing and/or if there will be any changes to your initial birth plan. Have someone contact us again when it's confirmed that you're in labor (when you're about 5-6cm), and we will start making our way to your home, birthing center, or hospital.

## CONTACT INFORMATION & LOCATION

Scheduled Due Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Client's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Labor Partner's Name (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Labor Partner's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your package includes 5 disk copies. Additional copies are available for only \$10 each. Please specify how many copies you would like of each: \_\_\_\_\_ DVD / \_\_\_\_\_ BluRay

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

### **Birth Facility Guidelines**

It is crucial that you confirm that photography/videography is allowed at your birthing facility beforehand. Please also know that we will be limited by the guidelines (if there are any) of the facility and/or the delivering doctor/midwife and are not responsible for any limitations placed upon us. Negotiation for moderation of the guidelines is your responsibility. If you're planning a birth at home or in a birthing center, please check with your midwife AND your back up hospital in case of a transfer. We focus on you, your baby, and members of your family and typically do not show any faces or identifying features of your physician or healthcare workers in our final edited version of your video. We try to be unobtrusive and document the birth, as best as we can, with the available lighting. No props, no bright lighting, no posing, etc. Because of this, we may have low light situations and video images may be more raw, perhaps with a bit of film "grain". We strive to do everything we can to capture your special moments to the best of our ability.

### **Cancellation**

We will plan a week "on call" around your scheduled due date to assure our best chance to be there for your delivery. We do understand that childbirth is not an exact science and, in the event that your active labor begins outside of the scheduled one week period, we will still make every effort to be there to capture your Birth Story. However, since the timing of births is so unpredictable, we cannot guarantee 100% that we will be able to make the birth. If we can make it, (due to unforeseen reasons such as illness, weather, a dramatic change in the birth plan, etc.) any paid deposit will be applied toward a future session with Corie Strong Photography. Any additional monies paid, beyond your deposit, will be fully refunded.

If you decide to cancel our services, for any reason, please let us know at least 30 days before your due date. Your initial deposit is non-refundable in this case, but any other monies paid up to this point will be fully refunded.

We take the utmost care with respect to the post-production and delivery of all Birth Story videos. However, in the event that we fail to comply with the terms of this agreement, due to any event or act, which prevents the delivery of the completed video, our liability to you is limited solely to a refund of all money paid.

### **Copyrights**

KSP Cinematic, a division of Ken Strong Productions, does not retain any copyright to your completed Birth Story video. You are free to copy and share your completed video, as you wish, with no additional fees or agreements. We would be happy to provide additional copies of your completed DVD or BluRay disk for a minimal fee. However, Ken Strong Productions does not retain the origin video masters for greater than 12 months following your delivery. We reserve the right to use any video or still images for display, promotion, publication, or other purposes. However we will honor any special requests by the family for using, or not using, certain images when specified. Please be advised that music and images provided by you, for the purpose of photographic, video montage, or label use, as edited by Ken Strong Productions, may only be displayed for personal use in cooperation with applicable copyright laws. Ken Strong Productions assumes no responsibility for any copyright violation or infringement of any photographer, artist, producer, or label in association with materials provided or selected by you, the client.

### **Agreement of Terms**

I have read and reviewed the above Terms and Conditions and agree to abide with such as a legal document

**Ken Strong Productions**

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Customer Name (please print)

Ken Strong CEO (signed electronically 2-19-15)

Signature/Date

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