

OF CONSENT

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Abstract

In an arranged or social marriage consent of guardians of both bride and groom is a must for smooth fulfillment of the desire of two hearts. In love marriage such consent has no room. Also the partners like not to waste time for taking approval. In patriarchal society a girl seldom gets permission to love a guy of her own choice. As such the two souls offer mutual consent to each other and proceed accordingly. Here emotion is the guardian who gives consent.

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INTRODUCTION

Creative writing is based more on manifestation rather than on expression. It does not inform, rather it reveals. So it bears no reference. The best creative writing is critical, and the best critical writing is creative. This article is an outcome of thinking about creative writing meant for a general readership. As such, I have adopted a free style methodology so that everyone can enjoy the pleasure of reading. As you might know, Francis Bacon (1561-1626), the immortal essayist, wrote many essays namely 'Of Love', 'Of Friendship', 'Of Ambition', 'Of Studies', and so on. The multiple-minded genius correctly pointed out that all the words of the dictionary can be used as themes for essays. But little has been done since his death to continue or finish his monumental task. Bacon's unique individual style of presentation ignited my imagination and encouraged me to write creative essays as a method of relieving a wide range of emotions through catharsis.

ARTICLE

Consent is permission for something to happen or agreement to do something. For example: No change may be made without the consent of all the partners.

It is to permit, approve, or agree. It is to comply or yield. For example: He consented to the proposal. We asked her permission, and she consented.

It is sanction. It is acquiescence. For example: He gave his consent to the marriage.

It is agreement in sentiment, opinion, a course of action, etc. For example: By common consent he was appointed official delegate.

It is to be in harmony e.g., specifically voluntary agreement by a people to organize a civil society and give authority to the government.

Someone takes or asks for consent. Someone feels no urge to take consent. Both the persons are quite different in characteristic nature and behaviour.

It is quite etiquette to take permission before entering a place or restricted area or taking something of someone else. If someone does not take prior permission and if the owner is an ill-tempered person then he can beat the trespasser. Also the trespasser is punished as per law. If the owner is sentimental then he may mind for the incidence. Later on, this silence anger may be exposed violently.

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Consent may be full, half or part. He who gives full consent is full gentle man. If the consent is half then the person is half gentleman. If the consent is part then the person is part gentleman. Among these three types of persons half gentle man is the shrewdest of all.

A generous person gives consent immediate. He does not think for the profit or loss account of life always. He is as if a Good Samaritan. He is a benefactor of mankind. That's why he is full generous. Thinking for profit or gain restricts to be generous. Half thinking for gain renders someone half generous. Part thinking for gain makes someone part generous.

Consent depends upon the outcome of the action. Where there is doubt there lies the part consent. Part or partial consent is a safe state from where one can return back or decline to do or proceed further. It is seen in real life since the reality may not and practically does not appear as man thinks. The world does not adjust rather one has to adjust with the world.

If the consent is full then the person is either cent per cent wise or cent per cent fool. The wise gives permission after considering all the controlling parameters of anything in question. But the fool gives permission without knowing anything or the outcome. If he wins then he gets benefit of doubt to be a wise in spite of being a cent per cent fool. It is really a warm feeling.

Consent may be verbal or written. Verbal consent may be denied. Written consent cannot be denied easily for its legal constraints. One signs written consent document after observing all types of formalities thus required. Similarly, the said written consent is to be cancelled after observing more formalities than before. The party whose interest will be hampered will raise so many legal and illegal questions. For this real life problem an intelligent person seldom signs a written consent.

Two gentlemen seldom think for written consent. To them verbal consent is more valuable than written consent. They honour "word is law" strategy.

Love is the outcome of emotion. Emotion has no base and no brake at all. As such emotional consent is quite fragile. It may break the relation at any time. A novice lover who is sentimental more commits suicide if the partner deserts or declines love. Sometimes the partner becomes single parent and the baby faces uncertain destiny. Such a baby gets shelter in the orphan house. The orphan houses become overcrowded. The human babes become prodigal not getting mothers' love and affection. The paradox is that to conceive consent of unborn babe is not required. It is spontaneous and automatic. But the babe suffers.

Further there are three types of consents viz., temporary, permanent and temporary likely to be permanent.

Temporary consent is like a pilot project. If the small project becomes successful then larger or greater consent is given. It is like retail and subsequent wholesale business policy.

When the temporary policy works well then to avoid repeated work permanent consent is given through permanent settlement. It is beneficial to both the parties.

The third kind of consent depends upon the likeness of the boss. Sometimes the boss gives consent. Sometimes gives not. He gives if he likes. He gives not if he likes not. Thus his mood and motive are gloriously so uncertain.

As a matter of fact in every sphere of life the permanency of anybody or anything depends on the liking or disliking of the big boss. The favourite person gets the consent. Favour is always a matter of fortune. Only some persons are fortunate. This answers why recipients of consent are numbered.

The third kind is either more practical than political or more political than practical or both simultaneously. Thus it is a cocktail of both.

Withdrawal of consent at last moment is very dangerous. A lover withdraws consent thereby betrays unexpectedly on the marriage day. A dishonest businessman declines to supply the product if market rate becomes higher. He breaches his previous contract. But an honest businessman never does so. He even forgoes his higher profit.

Sometimes, flight is cancelled for bad weather or technical fault. Here consent involves the question of life and death. This is not intentional or whimsical. The authority returns full fare or offers alternate date of journey.

A panel of employment is rejected by any authority. In such case the powerful authority declares in advance, "The authority reserves the right to cancel the panel without showing any reason". The merit of such caution is that the authority cannot be punished. The demerit is that the deserving candidates are deprived. They say the authority withdraws consent to pave the way for nepotism.

Further, withdrawal of consent is a practice practised by political parties widely. In fact it is not practice rather mal practice. They call it strategy. Through this strategy the political parties try to befool the opponent and win the game. But a professional person does not do it. It harms good will the most valuable ingredient of business strategy.

CONCLUSION

Where there is doubt there lies agreement. Consent means no doubt. Agreement means full doubt. Consent is spontaneous and agreement means binding. Where consent ends agreement

begins. Consent is always optimist. It knows to go ahead only. It always thinks for the positive side of life. It escorts the optimist from dark to light and from uncertainty to certainty. Here lies its utility. Here lies its uniqueness.

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