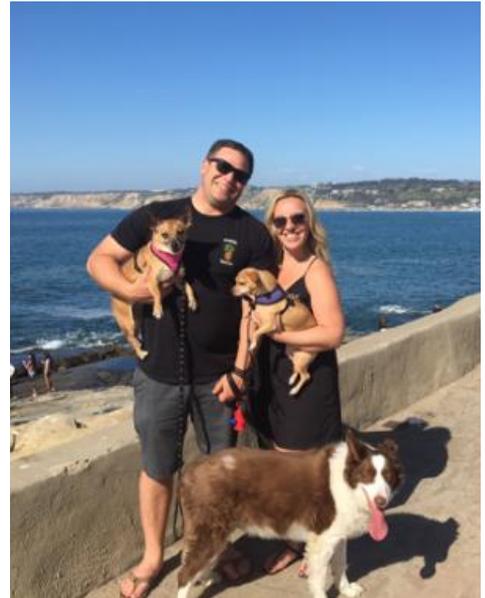


Hi there,

First and foremost, we would like to sincerely thank you for taking the time to get to know us. We believe that every birthmother is a hero and we are so excited to meet you and get to know you! Everything happens for a reason and we are honored that your path has brought you to our letter.

We are the Martens – Tyler and Kristina (plus our pups – Rusty, Maui, and Kiki). Before we get to the nitty gritty, we just want to tell you a little about us. We are in our early 30's, have been married for four years, love our dogs, and genuinely want to be parents together. Laughing, taking trips, staying active, and spending time with our amazing family and friends are key to us. There is nothing that we don't do together because in reality, we truly are best friends. Having fun is a must and playing games is a regular occurrence in our house... trust us, you've never seen Yahtzee get so intense. Most importantly, we are absolutely thrilled at the opportunity of being parents to your beautiful baby. We sincerely can't wait to bring a child into this crazy, yet wonderful life we've built so far.



A little about Tyler – I have been a fireman with the Kern County Fire Department for 12 years and I love playing out my childhood dream of driving a fire engine every day! I am the oldest of five siblings and definitely have the older brother syndrome (in a good way, I promise). My parents are divorced but I never was short on support. Although my glory days as a football and baseball player are over, I still have the passion for sports and love watching them on TV, regardless of how much it may drive my wife crazy. I enjoy the outdoors whether it is snowboarding, wakeboarding, or camping... I can't get enough of it. It's an added bonus that I can fix and build anything. There's a quote from a movie, "You send them out into the woods with a Q-tip and pocket knife and they build you a shopping mall" Well, I may not be able to do that but I'm pretty close. I know that I would be a good dad by being supportive, caring, and giving all the "dad jokes" a kid could ask for.

And Kristina – I have worked from home for Equifax Workforce Solutions for about 8 years. I love it because my dogs are my coworkers and I get to see Ty when he has days off. I also come from divorced parents but I'm one of the lucky few where they are actually still friends! I have one younger sister who makes me laugh like no one can. If you were to ask anyone who knows me who I am, they would tell you I'm a hostess. I love nothing more than having people over and making sure that everyone feels at home. I am creative and have a passion for making games and scavenger hunts – anything I can do for people to have fun! I grew up dancing and teaching





dance to young kids – although I still love watching it, I hung up my dancing shoes a while ago and took up the finer things in life, like food. I absolutely love to cook/bake and I developed a hobby of decorating cakes to relax. I have always loved kids and am always the first to kick off my shoes to crawl around to play with them. It would be no different for my own children.

Together, we love trying new things and going to new places but there are two places that are very near and dear to us that we can't wait to visit with a little one. They've both become a big part of our relationship to keep things fun! One of those places is Disneyland; we like to think of ourselves as friends of Mickey. We are Disneyland pass holders and it is a place that we have dreamt of taking our own children to experience the magic. The other great love of ours is Hawaii. There is something about the air, the culture, and the beaches that keep us going back. We loved it so much that we got married in Maui and would love nothing more than to create new family memories by putting another little set of footprints in the sand beside ours.



Although, we can't promise your baby a perfect life, we CAN promise you a home filled with support, cuddles, awesome dogs, and unconditional love. We would raise this precious baby in a Christian home built on strong morals and values. We live in a family oriented community with award winning schools and excellent curricular activities. Our families are very important to us and they would ALL welcome a baby with open arms. Your baby would have incredible grandparents, cousins, and built-in best friends to grow up with. We want you to know that our home is stable, has plenty of room for a growing family, a backyard to play, and we will stay active together as a family.



What brought us to you – We tried to have a baby for about two years but decided that adoption was the path we wanted to take. Both of us were brought up Christian and we both genuinely believe that God has a plan for us. If we could not become pregnant, there was a better way to become parents. The moment we mentioned adoption, we both immediately lit up with excitement and knew this was exactly what we wanted to do. So here we are, writing to you, hoping that you chose us to give a wonderful life to the baby you are about to have.

Although it is difficult to paint a full picture of our lives in a few words, we hope that this gives you a good glimpse of the kind of people we are and the life we can provide to a cherished little baby. We are so excited at the thought and prospect of becoming parents. Adoption is a beautiful gift! We can only hope and dream that you read this letter and feel that we would be a perfect match to what you are looking for in raising your baby. From the bottom of our hearts, we have the utmost appreciation for your consideration and know that we are truly honored that you might consider us as adoptive parents. Our hearts are wide open and we hope to hear from you!

If you would like to get to know us better, please contact Doug Donnelly at Donnelly@adoptionlawfirm.com or (805) 962-0988.

Tyler and Kristina

