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Please make check payable to Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group. Send completed application, affidavit, and check to:

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If we need to contact you to service your membership record or to provide you with information about member products and services and advocacy and legislative updates, we will honor your contact preferences. By providing your contact information, including phone number, fax number, and email address, you consent and give permission for AAJ to contact you by any of those means, which may include calls to your mobile phone, faxes, or emails. You may contact AAJ at any time to change your preferences.



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MEMBERSHIP AFFIDAVIT

I, _____, hereby affirm:

1. I am a Regular, Life or Sustaining member of the American Association for Justice (formerly ATLA) in good standing. My AAJ Membership number is _____.
2. I am a member in good standing of the bar(s) of _____.
3. In my capacity as an attorney, I, and all members of my firm, only represent plaintiffs in traumatic brain injury cases, as well as only plaintiffs in other types of injury or wrongful death cases. I do not and will not work, in any capacity, with and/or for and/or be retained as an expert witness on behalf of a tortfeasor or their insurer, corporation, insurance company and/or defense attorney, their agents, employees or independent contractors and/or other form of entity in the defense of any matter involving a claim of traumatic brain injury, injury or wrongful death; unless such representation is engaged in as a part of, in relation to or ancillary to representing a person's interests as a plaintiff. Applications for exemption shall be made available to any applicant not able to meet the strict requirements of this membership affidavit. Applications for exemption shall be submitted to current officers and shall be granted if the officers unanimously determine the applicant and his firm do not violate the spirit of this affidavit and interests of members of the Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group and such other conditions as the current officers may impose.
4. As an attorney, or in any other capacity, I agree that any material received from the litigation group will not be given or used to assist any attorney, individual or insurance carrier in the defense of any case.
5. I desire to work in concert with other members attorneys representing plaintiffs in similar traumatic brain injury cases in a cooperative effort to assist in achieving our common interest to prepare and fairly resolve individual cases properly.
6. I will not disclose any portion of, or any copies of, any information obtained from this Group to any insurer, corporation, insurance company and/or defense attorney or affiliated entity, their agents, employees, independent contractors, or to any person, firm or entity where the materials may be seen, copied, accessed, or otherwise reached by any insurer, corporation, insurance company and/or defense attorney or affiliated entities.
7. I will not make recordings of any of the Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group meeting or proceedings or any portion thereof without the written permission of the Group's Chair.
8. I will fully and candidly share all relevant traumatic brain injury litigation information, documents and other materials with other members of the Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group.
9. I will resist the defense's request for secrecy orders which prohibit information sharing and restrict access to information needed by traumatic brain injuries victims; however, I will at all times abide by such secrecy orders where they have been court-ordered.
10. I will not disclose information of a strategic nature to non-members if such disclosure would compromise the interests of members and their clients who are victims of traumatic brain injury.
11. I will not share, show, reveal, or disclose any information, documents, indices, or materials directly obtained from the Litigation Group, its members, or the AAJ Exchange, nor will I sell or distribute the information unless ordered to do so by a court of competent jurisdiction.
12. I will notify a Chair of the Group of any outside request which is made to obtain the index or any materials obtained from or through the Group, and I will resist any such attempts.
13. I understand that there will be a dues obligation to the Litigation Group, initially \$150 but subject to reasonably necessary increases from time to time. The membership period runs from February to February of each year.
14. I understand that my initial and continued membership in this Litigation Group is contingent upon the payment of dues, membership in AAJ, membership in good standing of the Bar, and my ongoing commitment to the principles and representations made above on which I fully appreciate that my colleagues are strictly relying.

15. I understand that I am not entitled as a matter of right to be a member of this Litigation Group, nor do I have any obligation to join, and that I will be entitled to remain in the Group at this meeting or at any subsequent meeting only to the extent that I fully comply with the above written representations and subject to the prevailing rules, regulations, and guidelines for AAJ litigation groups in general and the Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group in particular.

16. By joining this Litigation Group and providing my contact information, including email address, I consent and give permission for AAJ to add me to the corresponding AAJ Litigation Group list server to receive emails from AAJ members and AAJ on the list server.

I hereby swear and affirm under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I further agree that if any of the above information is knowingly and purposefully violated, that my membership in the Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group shall be immediately terminated, and that I may be subject to ethical and disciplinary charges.

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____