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MEMBERSHIP AFFIDAVIT**

I, _____ hereby affirm:

1. I am a Regular, Life or Sustaining member of the American Association for Justice in good standing. My AAJ Membership number is _____.
2. I am a member in good standing of the Railroad Law Section or the Admiralty Law Section of AAJ.
3. I am a member in good standing of the bar(s) of _____.
4. I am primarily engaged in the representation of plaintiffs in personal injury claims. _____.
5. I have not represented a railroad, shipping or transportation company within the past five years.
6. No members of my firm currently represent any railroad, shipping or transportation companies.
7. I desire to work in concert with other member attorneys representing injured workers covered under the Federal Employer's Liability Act ("FELA"), 45 U.S.C. §§ 51, et seq., and related statutes (e.g. Jones Act, Safety Appliance Act, etc. in a cooperative effort to assist in achieving our common interest to prepare and fairly resolve individual cases properly.
8. I will not disclose any portion of, or any copies of, any information obtained from this Group to any non-member of the Group.
9. I will not make recordings of the FELA Litigation Group meetings or proceedings or any portion thereof without the written permission of the Group's Chair.
10. I will fully and candidly share all relevant information, documents, and other material with other members of the FELA Litigation Group.
11. I will not disclose information of a strategic or tactical nature to non-members if such disclosure would compromise the interests of members.
12. 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 see or distribute information unless ordered to do so by a court of competent jurisdiction.
13. I will notify the 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.
14. I understand that my initial and continued membership in this Litigation Group is contingent upon 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 FELA 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 FELA LITIGATION GROUP SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY TERMINATED.

Dated this _____ day of _____, Year _____.

Applicant's Signature

Print Name

Sworn and Subscribed to me, the undersigned authority, on this the _____ day of _____, Year _____.

Signature: _____

Notary Public in and for the State of _____.



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PAYMENT INFORMATION**

Check is enclosed

Make payable to “FELA Litigation Group” and include name, AAJ ID Number, and “FELA” in Memo

Signature: _____

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