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Regular

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Please complete the application form. Enclose a check made payable to AAJ- Litigation Groups. Send check, application and affidavit to:

American Association for Justice - Litigation Groups
P.O. Box 823942
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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 your 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, Sustaining, Leaders Forum, or President's Club member of the American Association for Justice (AAJ) in good standing. My AAJ Membership number is _____.
2. I am a member in good standing of the Bar(s) of _____.
3. I am primarily engaged in the representation of plaintiffs.
4. I do not, nor does any member of my firm, represent school/university in any capacity.
5. I desire to work in concert with other member attorneys representing plaintiffs in similar school 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 school/university 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 school/university or affiliated entities
7. I will not make recordings of any of the Schools: Violence, Misconduct & Safety Litigation Group meetings or proceedings or any portion thereof without the written permission of one of the Group's Cochairs.
8. I will fully and candidly share all relevant litigation information, documents and other material with other members of the AAJ Schools: Violence, Misconduct & Safety Litigation Group.
9. I will resist the defense's request for secrecy orders which prohibit information sharing and restrict access to information needed by school violence related accident 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 school violence etc. related accidents.
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 the Cochair 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, \$100 annually, but subject to reasonably necessary increases from time to time.
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 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 Schools: Violence, Misconduct & Safety 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 SCHOOLS: VIOLENCE, MISCONDUCT & SAFETY LITIGATION GROUP SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY TERMINATED, AND THAT I MAY BE SUBJECT TO ETHICAL AND DISCIPLINARY CHARGES.

Printed Name

Date

Signature



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PAYMENT INFORMATION

Check is enclosed

Make payable to “AAJ Litigation Groups” and include name, AAJ ID Number, and “Schools” in Memo

Charge \$ _____ to my: MasterCard VISA American Express

Name on Card: _____

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

Membership dues paid to the American Association for Justice (AAJ) are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for income tax purposes. However, dues may be tax deductible as ordinary and necessary business dues and expenses subject to restrictions imposed as a result of AAJ’s lobbying activities. AAJ estimates that the portion of dues and other similar amounts that it expects to receive that are allocable to AAJ’s lobbying expenditures is 26%. Accordingly, currently 74% of your dues and contributions to AAJ may be deducted as ordinary and necessary business expenses. Please consult your tax advisor to confirm.