



RELEASE, WAIVER AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. While BNI has taken the appropriate steps to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 being transmitted at the BNI Chapter Meeting, BNI cannot prevent you from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 as a result of attending a BNI Chapter Meeting. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to attend the BNI Chapter Meeting you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting and/or spreading COVID-19.

Accordingly, I acknowledge that it is my personal and voluntary decision to return to in-person meetings at my Chapter rather than utilizing BNI online as an alternative method of attending the Chapter Meeting. I acknowledge that I understand and freely assume any and all risks of returning to in-person meetings. I further acknowledge that I am not symptomatic for COVID-19, and to the extent that I have been tested for COVID-19, I did not test positive for the virus. Furthermore, I am not considered high- risk person to contact and have complications from the COVID-19 disease. Moreover, if at any time I become symptomatic for COVID-19 I will immediately notify my Chapter President to enable my Chapter to participate in any contact-tracing that the local jurisdiction may require. I will discontinue attending in-person meetings at my Chapter for at least 14 days after self-imposed quarantine. In order to attend these in-person meetings I will follow and comply with all directives that the Chapter President may require including, but not limited to, wearing face coverings and maintaining social distancing of at least 6ft from any other Chapter attendee or participant. I further acknowledge that it is my responsibility to review and comply with any government, state, or local directives, advisories, warnings, or any other information regarding COVID-19 and which are directed to individuals, and based on those guidelines I freely assume any and all risks which may accompany those guidelines and/or directives.

Waiver, Release, and Hold Harmless. In consideration for being permitted to attend in-person BNI Chapter meetings I do hereby forever release and waive my right to bring suit against the BNI Chapter, BNI of NW Florida, BNI Global, LLC and its affiliates, together with all of their respective present and former officers, employees, Members, directors, agents, servants, representatives, parents, subsidiaries, franchisees, successors, and assigns (hereinafter "BNI"), in connection with exposure, infection and/or spread of COVID-19 related to my attendance at any BNI Chapter meeting. I understand that this waiver means I give up my possible right to bring any claims of **negligence (whether, active, passive and/or gross negligence)** including resulting personal injuries, death, disease or property losses, or any other loss, and give up any claim against BNI I may have to seek damages, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen.

This Waiver, Release and Hold Harmless shall be binding upon my survivors, heirs, successors, and assigns. I understand and agree that this Waiver, Release and Hold Harmless is a release of liability and I sign it on my own free will.

CHOICE OF LAW: I understand and agree that the law of the State of Florida will apply to this release.

Signature: _____

Date: _____