

## CLAIMANT ACKNOWLEDGMENT

### ONE-TIME OPTION TO PARTICIPATE IN A QUALIFIED STRUCTURED SETTLEMENT

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I, \_\_\_\_\_ acknowledge that I have been given an opportunity to meet with a settlement consultant provided at no charge by my attorneys and review my option to participate in a Tax Free Qualified Structured Settlement Annuity (SSA). I have had adequate time to seek out financial/tax/government benefit advice from an advisor of my choosing to discuss the settlement choices available to me. I understand the potential ramifications (positive and/or negative) of my decision as it pertains to financial/tax/government benefits.

**I understand that the available options presented to me include the following:**

- (1) Place all or a portion of my settlement funds to purchase a qualified structured settlement annuity for my sole benefit, and any remaining balance owed to me that is not structured to be taken in cash.
- (2) All of the settlement funds to be taken in cash

I understand that the law enables all principal and interest paid out to a Qualified Structured Settlement annuitant to be excluded from income tax. I further understand that if I do not wish to have a structured settlement annuity purchased with my settlement proceeds that all earnings on any investment I may choose could potentially be fully taxable to me. I am fully aware and understand that a structured settlement annuity is only available to persons who are recovering tort damages on account of a physical injury or physical sickness that I or an immediate family member has suffered.

**I explicitly acknowledge that I have been informed of the following regarding a Structured Settlement Annuity (SSA):**

- *The decision not to utilize a structured settlement is irrevocable and cannot be changed or reversed*
- *Payments from a qualified SSA are received income tax-free by the annuitant*
- *Future payments from a SSA are protected from creditors and are free of ongoing management fees*
- *A rated age may be available with the use of the SSA, increasing the benefit paid to me*

I have been given every opportunity to ask questions regarding my settlement options and all of my questions have been answered. I acknowledge and understand that after being fully informed of the various choices that, by signing my name, I am requesting the following in regards to my settlement:

**Reject the structured settlement annuity option provided to me for review and request 100% of the settlement funds in cash. Note: I understand I cannot request a structured settlement after my lump sum has been released.**

**Further evaluate structure settlement annuity payouts available to me before finalizing the settlement.**

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Claimant Signature

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Date