

MASS TORT/CLASS ACTION SUPPLEMENT

For purposes of this supplement, **Class Action** means an action brought by a representative member on behalf of a large group of persons or members of the group. **Mass Tort** means a multi-party lawsuit, including a **class action**, involving tort claims where: (i) a mass accident occurred, usually a single event, and injuries are sustained by many people or (ii) personal injuries are sustained on a widespread basis, usually involving allegedly defective products.

Firm Name: _____ State _____ Effective Date _____ Policy _____

I. Provide the following information for each class action/mass tort case the firm is involved in. Attach additional sheet(s) if necessary)

a) **Name/Nature of case** _____ **Date filed** _____

Description of Case _____

Number of Plaintiffs _____ **Number in Class** _____ **Party represented by Firm:** Plaintiff Defendant

Dollar value/potential damages of Class: \$ _____ **Dollar value for parties the firm represents in the Class:** _____

Is this is nationwide Class? Yes No **States the Class is filed in:** _____ **States of firm’s client representation:** _____

Define the Firm’s role in this case: Lead Counsel Local Counsel Co-counsel Referring Counsel
If the firm acts as referring counsel, does the firm continue to work on the case after referral to another law firm? Yes No NA
If yes, explain legal services provided _____

Does the firm involve or work with any of the following on this case? Yes & identified below **No other counsel is involved**
Outside Counsel **Local Counsel** **Co-counsel** **Outside jurisdiction** _____ **State(s)** _____

If the firm works with/refers to other firms on this Class case, regardless of capacity, does the firm assure these other firms carry lawyer’s professional liability insurance with coverage of at least \$500,000? Yes No NA

Does the firm use an engagement letter specifying the extent and limitations of the legal services rendered for this case? Yes No
Please attach a sample letter.

Describe the ways or processes of the firm’s communication with mass tort/class action clients in this case.

Current Status of the Case: _____ **If closed, date:** _____

II. Complete the following general information on the firm’s mass tort/class action practice:

- 2. a. Number of years the firm has handled mass tort/class action cases: _____
- b. Number of lawyers handling these cases: _____
- c. Number of non-lawyer support staff assisting in these cases : Paralegal _____ Legal Asst _____ Other _____
- d. Number of non-legal professionals assisting in these cases: Doctor _____ Nurse _____ Engineer _____
Other (specify) _____

3. **Is the firm affiliated with any organization with whom they provide legal services?** Yes No
If yes, please provide the following:
Name of organization _____
Legal services provided _____

4. **Attach a sample of your advertisement for this type of work.**

5. **Has the firm had any claims in the past 5 years which involve mass tort/class action cases?** Yes No **If yes, complete a Claims Supplement for each.**

Signature and Title of Applicant _____ **Date** _____