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ATTORNEY APPLICATION FOR PROBATE VOLUNTEER SETTLEMENT PANEL

I, _____, apply to participate as a Probate Volunteer Settlement Officer and declare as follows:

1. State Bar Membership

A. I was admitted to the California State Bar on _____.
(Date)

I am currently an active member. My Bar number is _____.

(Initial)

B. As of the date of this Application, I have no disciplinary proceedings pending with the California State Bar, and I have had no discipline imposed on me.

(Initial)

I have previously been subject to State Bar disciplinary proceedings.

(Initial)

If applicable, please explain below any prior State Bar disciplinary proceedings.

C. If, at any time that I am a member of this panel and my status as a member of the State Bar changes, I agree to notify the Probate Volunteer Committee, in writing, within ten (10) days of that event.

(Initial)

2. Probate Experience

A. I have at least 5 years' experience as a practicing attorney in the areas of Probate and Trust law.

(Initial)

B. _____ percent of my practice is in the areas of Trust, Estate Planning, Probate and Conservatorship.

(Initial)

3. I am a Certified Specialist in:

- Estate Planning, Probate and Trust Law
- Taxation
- Family Law
- Other (specify): _____
- None

4. Probate Volunteer Panel

A. I am currently a member of the Probate Volunteer Panel.

(Initial)

5. Mediation Experience

A. I have the following Mediation experience:

- Pro bono Mediator
- Paid Mediator
- Van Nuys Settlement Panel
- None

B. I have conducted approximately _____ [number] of Mediations in the last three years.

6. I am a member of the Trusts & Estates Section of the following Bar Associations:

- Beverly Hills Bar Association
- Los Angeles County Bar
- Pasadena Bar Association
- San Fernando Valley Bar Association
- Santa Monica Bar Association
- South Bay Bar Association
- State Bar of California
- Other (specify): _____
- None

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7. I am a member of the following Estate Planning Councils:

- Los Angeles Estate Planning Council
- San Fernando Valley Estate Planning Council
- Warner Center Estate and Tax Planning Council
- Other (specify): _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ (Office) _____ (Cell) _____ (Fax)

E-mail: _____

I certify that the foregoing is true, correct and accurate in all respects. I acknowledge that no representations of any kind have been made to me as to approval or acceptance of my Application and that establishment of the minimum criteria and consideration of my Application is within the sole and absolute discretion of a Bar Association Committee which is assuming that responsibility. I further understand and acknowledge that if my Application is rejected or denied, no reason for such rejection or denial will or need be given and furthermore, that even if my Application is accepted and approved, there is no guaranty that I will necessarily be called upon to participate and/or that there will be sufficient available settlement sessions for me to do so. The fact that I may have met any established criteria and/or even served as a volunteer in the Program is not an endorsement by, and must not be represented to constitute any endorsement by, the Bar or the Court as to my personal or professional background, training, experience, ethics, or other qualifications to serve as a settlement officer, mediator or arbitrator. If my Application is accepted and approved, I may however represent to others that I am a Program panel member. By participating in the voluntary settlement program, I specifically now and forever waive and relinquish any and all claims for liability and/or damages of any kind or nature pertaining to the Program, whether arising in contract or tort, against the participating Bar Associations, the Court and/or any other Program settlement officer.

(Date)

(Signature)