

Attorney Breakfast Club

Attorney Breakfast Club (“ABC”) Membership Agreement

PURPOSE: ABC is designed to provide its members with the ability to network with attorneys and others involved in the legal field in order to increase the Member’s business and reduce the attorneys cost by providing special discounts to the members. It is desired, but not required, for a Member to refer work and leads to other members and vendors of the Chapter to increase each member’s business through referrals.

DUES: The current dues are \$850.00 per Member paid annually covering membership dues and breakfast for one, at each breakfast meeting. Renewal dues shall be paid in full no later than five days prior to the month on which the Member originally joined. Fees not paid by the first meeting of the month they are due are considered late and will be subject to a late charge. If fees are not paid within 15 days, the member will be officially dropped by ABC. Dues are subject to change each year. New member dues are due and payable with this membership agreement. Dues are nonrefundable.

ATTENDANCE: Attendance at all Chapter events is **MANDATORY**. If a member cannot attend, you may send a substitute (not a member of your chapter) to the meeting. This will not count as an absence. A member is allowed two absences every six months (January through June and August through November). More than this and the member’s classification is **subject to termination and all dues paid will be forfeited**.

MEMBERS AND MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS: Membership and continued eligibility in the Chapter is determined by ABC. At all times, Members shall be:

- A partner (or equivalent or greater) in their respective firms;
- Licensed by the Florida Bar and in good standing or otherwise permitted to practice their area of law in Florida on more than a pro hac basis;
- Reside in or maintain an office (and work primarily from that office) in the County for which the Chapter operates;
- Professional, courteous, competent and proficient in their area of their exclusive membership classification such that they spend no less than 60% of their practice in said area of the law; and comply with this Agreement and the other rules, regulations and policies of Chapter as promulgated.

Members shall comply with the requests of the ABC for the purpose of advancing the Chapter, including, but not limited to, providing a biography, photographs, headshots, and testimonials. Members shall also endeavor to crosslink their respective firm's web site and/or other web or internet presence with other firms in the Chapter as well as using other internet and social media tools for the benefit of the Chapter and the other firms in the Chapter.

MEMBERSHIP EXCLUSIVITY: Members are to immediately express a potential conflict to the ABC if they feel that a speaker/guest/potential new member would represent a conflict to them in regard to their exclusive membership classification in the Chapter. All such conflicts shall be resolved by ABC, said decision being final and binding.

Members shall not promote, advertise, or offer services outside their classification while at ABC events. A first violation shall be cause for a warning. Repeated violations may result in probation or termination of membership and forfeiture of any dues paid.

OTHER ABC CHAPTERS: Membership in a Chapter does not vest in any member automatic or priority membership in any other ABC Chapter in any other territory.

Member Signature: _____

Date _____