

VIA JIU JITSU ACADEMY

DROP-IN AND TRIAL CLASS RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

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READ BEFORE SIGNING. This is a legal contract. It gives up your right to sue VIA Academy LLC, including for its own NEGLIGENCE. Ask any questions first. If you do not agree, do not sign and do not train.

PARTICIPANT FULL NAME _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ AGE _____

STREET ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL (PARENT'S IF UNDER 18) _____ MOBILE PHONE (PARENT'S IF UNDER 18) _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME _____ RELATIONSHIP _____ PHONE _____

VISIT: ☐ TRIAL CLASS ☐ DROP-IN ☐ OPEN MAT ☐ YOGA ☐ SEMINAR / EVENT BELT _____ HOME GYM _____

INJURIES, CONDITIONS, OR MEDICATIONS A COACH SHOULD KNOW ABOUT (WRITE "NONE" IF NONE) _____

1. COVERAGE. This agreement covers today and all future visits until I sign a VIA membership agreement. "Activities" means all classes, open mats, live sparring, seminars, and events (including jiu-jitsu, grappling, judo, self-defense, kickboxing, and yoga) and all use of the facility, equipment, locker rooms, and showers.

2. THE RISKS. The Activities are full-contact combat sports with throws, takedowns, hard falls, joint locks, chokes, strikes, and live sparring against partners of different size, strength, age, and skill. Injuries happen, including bruises, cuts, sprains, dislocations, torn ligaments, broken bones, eye and dental injury, neck and spinal injury, concussion, loss of consciousness, skin infections (including staph, ringworm, and herpes gladiatorum), cardiac events, paralysis, permanent disability, and death. These risks can come from my own actions, other participants, equipment or the facility, or the instruction, supervision, acts, or omissions of VIA and its staff. I can tap, stop, or sit out at any time. I knowingly and voluntarily accept all risks, known and unknown. Initials _____

3. RELEASE, INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE. To the fullest extent Connecticut law allows, I, for myself, my heirs, and my estate, release and agree not to sue VIA Academy LLC, The Via Foundation Inc., and their owners, instructors, employees, volunteers, contractors, landlord, and other participants (the "Released Parties") for any injury, illness, death, or property loss arising from the Activities or my presence at the academy, INCLUDING CLAIMS CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASED PARTIES. I understand I am giving up my right to sue them for negligence. This does not release reckless or intentional misconduct.

Initials _____

4. INDEMNITY. I will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Released Parties from any claim, loss, or legal fees arising from my conduct (including injury I cause another participant), my breach of this agreement, or any released claim brought by me or on my behalf.

5. HEALTH AND RULES. I am physically able to train. I have told a coach about any injury, condition, or pregnancy that could affect my safety, and the information I gave above is true. I will not train with an open wound, rash, fever, or contagious skin condition, or while impaired by alcohol or drugs. I will follow all instructions and rules, train under control, and report any injury to a coach before I leave. VIA may limit or end my participation at any time for safety, hygiene, or conduct.

6. MEDICAL. If I am injured and unable to consent, I authorize VIA to call 911 and arrange emergency medical care. I am responsible for all resulting costs.

7. PHOTOS, VIDEO, AND CAMERAS. Classes are photographed, filmed, and recorded, including by a camera system other students can access. I consent to being recorded and to VIA using my name and image for training review, marketing, and social media, without payment. I may opt out of marketing use by emailing info@viabjj.com.

8. FEES AND PROPERTY. Drop-in, seminar, and event fees are non-refundable. This agreement is not a membership and authorizes no recurring charges. VIA is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged property, including items in lockers.

9. MINORS. If the participant is under 18, I am their parent or legal guardian with authority to sign. I consent to their participation and to emergency treatment, and I agree to this entire agreement on their behalf and my own. I release and agree not to sue the Released Parties for my own claims arising from the minor's participation, INCLUDING CLAIMS OF NEGLIGENCE, and to the extent the law allows, I will indemnify them for any claim brought by or for the minor. Parent initials _____

10. GENERAL. Connecticut law governs, with venue in New Haven County. This agreement is intended to be as broad as Connecticut law allows. Any part found unenforceable will be limited only as needed, and the rest stays in full effect. Copies and electronic signatures count as originals.

I have read and understand this entire agreement. I had the chance to ask questions and to consult a lawyer, and no one pressured me. I know I am giving up substantial rights, including my right to sue for NEGLIGENCE, and I sign voluntarily.

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE (18 OR OLDER) _____

PRINTED NAME _____

DATE _____

PARENT / GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (IF PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18) _____

PRINTED NAME _____

RELATIONSHIP _____

DATE _____

STAFF USE ☐ ID checked ☐ Entered in Kicksite Staff initials _____

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