

Westlaw® Subscriber Agreement for FEDLINK Members



AGREEMENT entered into between _____ (“Subscriber”) and **WEST**, a Thomson Reuters business (“West”) regarding Westlaw, its computer assisted legal research service, as follows:

1. FAR Applicability. All of the terms and conditions set forth below are subject to and governed by the language of FAR clause 52.212-4 (Contract Terms and Conditions - Commercial Items). In the event any language in the terms and conditions of this Agreement conflicts with the governing FAR clause, such FAR clause takes precedence over the language of this Agreement.

2. License.

a. Grant. Subscriber is granted a non-exclusive, non-transferable, limited license to access Westlaw. Westlaw consists of various West-owned and third party databases, services, functions and remotely-accessed gateways (collectively “Features”) which may change from time to time. Access to certain Features may be restricted. Subscriber is licensed to use data made available on Westlaw (“Data,” which includes “Downloaded Data” as defined below) solely in the regular course of legal and other research and related work. Certain Features are licensed subject to paragraphs 3 through 5 or subject to “Additional Terms” (as defined below), all of which take precedence over the license granted in this paragraph. Except as otherwise provided with respect to certain Data, the license includes the right to download and temporarily store insubstantial portions of Data (“Downloaded Data”) to a storage device under Subscriber’s exclusive control solely (i) to display internally such Downloaded Data and (ii) to quote and excerpt from such Downloaded Data (appropriately cited and credited) by electronic cutting and pasting or other means in memoranda, briefs and similar work product created by Subscriber in the regular course of its research and work. Subscriber may also create printouts of Data for internal use and for distribution to third parties for purposes that are consistent with the terms and conditions of this Agreement if such third parties agree not to further distribute the printouts. Subscriber may, on an occasional basis and via Westlaw functionality, direct West to transmit individual documents in electronic format to individual internal user(s). Direct transmission of electronic copies by Subscriber is prohibited, except as provided in the electronic brief terms of paragraph 3 herein.

b. Limitations. Subscriber may not copy, download, scrape, store, publish, transmit, retransmit, transfer, distribute, disseminate, broadcast, circulate, sell, resell or otherwise use the Data, or any portion of the Data, in any form or by any means, except (i) as expressly permitted by this Agreement, (ii) with West’s prior written permission, or (iii) if not expressly prohibited by this Agreement or by the “Additional Terms”, as allowed under the fair use provision of the Copyright Act (17 U.S.C.A. § 107). Downloaded Data shall not be stored or used in an archival database or other searchable database except as expressly permitted by this Agreement or as quoted in Subscriber’s work product. Subscriber shall not sell, license or distribute Data (including printouts and Downloaded Data) to third parties or use Data as a component of or as a basis for any material offered for sale, license or distribution.

c. Rights in Data. Except for the license granted in this Agreement, all rights, title and interest in Data, in all languages, formats and media throughout the world, including all copyrights, are and will continue to be the exclusive property of West and other contributors (“Contributors”).

d. Additional Terms. Certain third-party Features are governed by terms and conditions which are different from those set forth in this Agreement (“Additional Terms”). Subscriber will be given an opportunity to review Additional Terms by receiving notice of such Additional Terms in writing or online. Additional Terms may be modified effective upon West giving Subscriber notice (in writing or online) of the modification. By using Features governed by Additional Terms, Subscriber agrees to, and will be obligated to comply with, all such Additional Terms as well as the terms and conditions in this Agreement. All Additional Terms will be considered part of this Agreement.

3. West Proprietary Data. Subscriber may, via Westlaw functionality, direct West to transmit West-proprietary documents (i.e., documents not licensed by West from third parties) in electronic format to internal user(s) or to a third party who is an individual if such third party agrees not to further disseminate such documents. Subscriber acknowledges its responsibility in assuring compliance with the foregoing by any third party to whom Subscriber transmits West-proprietary documents pursuant to the preceding sentence. Direct transmission of electronic copies by Subscriber is prohibited, except as provided in the electronic brief terms set forth herein. West further grants a

non-exclusive, non-transferable, limited license to individual Westlaw users within Subscriber entities to store and use West-proprietary Downloaded Data (as defined above) in a searchable database maintained in connection with an ongoing project of the user (“Project Database”). Such database must consist preponderantly of users’ work product with access limited to those internal users actively working on the project. The West-proprietary Downloaded Data may be maintained in the Project Database so long as the project remains active or until any termination of this Agreement, whichever occurs first. Retention of Downloaded Data in a Project Database after the project ends, in an archival database as used as a research tool or in a database accessible to external users is prohibited. West further grants to Subscriber a limited, non-exclusive, non-transferable license to include West-proprietary Downloaded Data in briefs prepared for a specific cause of action for a specific court in an electronic format. Distribution or dissemination of such West-proprietary Downloaded Data in connection with or as part of a brief is limited to the court before which the cause of action is to be heard, the parties to the cause of action, or their representatives. Any further distribution is prohibited without written permission of West. West-proprietary Downloaded Data included in such briefs must retain West copyright notices and indicate that use of, distribution and dissemination to the permitted parties is with the permission of West.

4. West Legal Directory™. Subscriber may use Data contained in West Legal Directory (“WLD”) internally in the regular course of Subscriber’s business. Subscriber may also create printouts of insubstantial portions of Data consisting of individual WLD listings or selected names and addresses for its own use. Use of WLD to create mailing or marketing lists for commercial purposes or for distribution to third parties is prohibited.

5. Usage Restrictions. Subscriber shall not use any Data and shall not distribute any Data to a third party for use in a manner contrary to or in violation of any applicable federal, state, or local law, rule or regulation. West is not a consumer reporting agency, and Subscriber certifies that it will not use any Data as a factor in establishing a consumer’s eligibility for credit or insurance to be used primarily for personal, family, or household purposes, for employment purposes or for any other purpose authorized under section 1681b of the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C.A. § 1681b). Subscriber acknowledges that access to certain Data available on Westlaw, including but not limited to credit header Data, motor vehicle Data, driver license Data, and voter registration Data is regulated by state or federal laws, such as the Gramm Leach Bliley Act (“GLBA”), the Driver’s Privacy Protection Act (“DPPA”), or other state or federal laws and regulations, or is subject to Contributor restrictions. Subscriber agrees not to access such Data for any purpose that is not allowed by the GLBA, by the DPPA, by any other applicable state or federal laws or regulations, or that is contrary to Contributor restrictions. West retains the right to temporarily or permanently block access to certain Data if West, in its sole discretion, believes that the Data may be used for an improper purpose or otherwise in violation of the terms of this Agreement, or that the terms of West’s Contributor agreements requires West to block such access. By accessing Data, Subscriber acknowledges that from time to time, West and its Contributors and/or various government entities may require Subscriber to identify a permissible use and may inquire as to Subscriber’s compliance with applicable laws or this Agreement. Subscriber agrees to cooperate with any inquiry, subject to any attorney-client confidentiality. Subscriber shall report to West any misuse, abuse, or compromise of Data of which Subscriber becomes aware.

6. Westlaw Software and westlaw.com™.

a. Westlaw Software. West may make available to Subscriber, on a subscription basis, software for use in connection with Westlaw. Such software, including new versions and the accompanying user documentation, may be referred to collectively as “Software.” All Software will be licensed to Subscriber under a license agreement which will accompany the Software. By using the Software and taking such other action as may be referenced in the Agreement as constituting acceptance, Subscriber agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of the accompanying license agreement. If Subscriber does not so agree, Subscriber must return any tangible copies of the Software in its possession or control.

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7. Disclaimer of Warranties and Limitation of Liability. EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED IN THIS AGREEMENT, ANY SCHEDULE OR LICENSE AGREEMENT, WESTLAW, FEATURES, DATA, SOFTWARE AND WESTLAW.COM ARE PROVIDED "AS IS," WITHOUT WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, WARRANTIES OF PERFORMANCE, MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ACCURACY, OMISSIONS, COMPLETENESS, CURRENTNESS AND DELAYS. SUBSCRIBER'S EXCLUSIVE REMEDY AND WEST'S, ITS AFFILIATES AND/OR CONTRIBUTORS' ENTIRE LIABILITY UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, IF ANY, FOR ANY CLAIM(S) FOR DAMAGES RELATING TO WESTLAW, FEATURES, DATA, SOFTWARE OR WESTLAW.COM WHICH ARE MADE AGAINST THEM, INDIVIDUALLY OR JOINTLY, WHETHER BASED IN CONTRACT OR NEGLIGENCE, SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF WESTLAW CHARGES PAID BY SUBSCRIBER RELATIVE TO THE SPECIFIC FEATURE (i.e., DATABASE, SERVICE, FUNCTION OR GATEWAY), THE SOFTWARE OR WESTLAW.COM, AS APPLICABLE, WHICH IS THE BASIS OF THE CLAIM(S) DURING THE 12 MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE EVENT GIVING RISE TO SUCH CLAIM. IN NO EVENT SHALL WEST, ITS AFFILIATES AND/OR CONTRIBUTORS BE LIABLE TO SUBSCRIBER FOR ANY CLAIM(S) RELATING IN ANY WAY TO (i) SUBSCRIBER'S INABILITY OR FAILURE TO PERFORM LEGAL OR OTHER RESEARCH OR RELATED WORK OR TO PERFORM SUCH LEGAL OR OTHER RESEARCH OR WORK PROPERLY OR COMPLETELY, EVEN IF ASSISTED BY WEST, ITS AFFILIATES OR CONTRIBUTORS, OR ANY DECISION MADE OR ACTION TAKEN BY SUBSCRIBER IN RELIANCE UPON DATA; (ii) ANY LOST PROFITS OR OTHER CONSEQUENTIAL, EXEMPLARY, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT OR SPECIAL DAMAGES RELATING IN WHOLE OR IN PART TO SUBSCRIBER'S RIGHTS UNDER THIS AGREEMENT OR USE OF, OR INABILITY TO USE, WESTLAW, FEATURES, DATA, SOFTWARE OR WESTLAW.COM, EVEN IF WEST, ITS AFFILIATES AND/OR CONTRIBUTORS HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES; OR (iii) THE PROCURING, COMPILING, INTERPRETING, EDITING, WRITING, REPORTING, OR DELIVERING DATA. FURTHER, WEST SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY WHATSOEVER TO SUBSCRIBER FOR ANY CLAIM(S) RELATING IN ANY WAY TO ANY THIRD PARTY FEATURE. NEITHER WEST NOR CONTRIBUTORS MAKE ANY WARRANTY THAT ACCESS TO WESTLAW WILL BE UNINTERRUPTED, SECURE, COMPLETE OR ERROR FREE. NOR DOES WEST MAKE ANY WARRANTY AS TO THE LIFE OF ANY URL OR THIRD PARTY WEB SERVICE. SUBSCRIBER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT PROVISION OF WESTLAW ENTAILS THE LIKELIHOOD OF SOME HUMAN AND MACHINE ERRORS, DELAYS, INTERRUPTIONS AND LOSSES, INCLUDING THE INADVERTENT LOSS OF DATA OR DAMAGE TO MEDIA.

8. Responsibility for Certain Matters. Subscriber may access Westlaw from additional Subscriber locations upon prior notice of such location. Subscriber is responsible for notifying West in writing of persons to whom Westlaw passwords are to be issued or from whom passwords are to be

revoked. Subscriber is solely responsible for maintaining security of Westlaw passwords. Subscriber is also responsible for all access to and use of Westlaw, including Features, Software and westlaw.com by Subscriber's personnel or Westlaw passwords, whether or not Subscriber has knowledge of or authorizes such access and use.

9. Term and Termination. This Agreement will become effective upon approval and acceptance by West in St. Paul, Minnesota, and will continue in force until terminated by either party upon at least 30 days prior written notice of termination to the other party; provided, however, that this Agreement may not be terminated prior to one year after the date Subscriber first accesses Westlaw, unless otherwise provided in the Fedlink Agreement currently in effect between Subscriber and West. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) West may terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving written notice of termination to Subscriber if Subscriber commits a material breach of any obligation to West under any other agreement between the parties; (ii) West may terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving written notice of termination to Subscriber if West reasonably believes that Subscriber's use of Data violates any applicable law, this Agreement or may result in a risk to public safety, including but not limited to the safety of private individuals (iii) Subscriber may terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving written notice of termination to West after receiving notice of an amendment (as permitted under paragraph 2(d)) which contains new terms that materially alter the terms of this Agreement and are unacceptable to Subscriber; and (iv) either party may terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving written notice of termination to the other party if the other party commits a material breach of this Agreement.

10. Force Majeure. West's performance under this Agreement is subject to interruption and delay due to causes beyond its reasonable control, such as acts of God, acts of any government, war or other hostility, civil disorder, the elements, fire, explosion, power failure, equipment failure, industrial or labor dispute, inability to obtain necessary supplies and the like.

11. Notices. Except as otherwise provided herein, all notices must be in writing to West at 610 Opperman Drive, P.O. Box 64833, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-1803, Attention: Customer Service, and to Subscriber at the address set forth below.

12. General Provisions. Neither this Agreement nor any part or portion may be assigned, sublicensed or otherwise transferred by Subscriber without West's prior written consent. Should any provision of this Agreement be held to be void, invalid, unenforceable or illegal by a court, the validity and enforceability of the other provisions will not be affected thereby. Failure of any party to enforce any provision of this Agreement will not constitute or be construed as a waiver of such provision or of the right to enforce such provision. The headings and captions contained in this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and do not constitute a part of this Agreement. West, as used herein, applies to West Publishing Corporation Thomson Reuters Applications Inc., West Services Inc., Thomson Reuters (Legal) Inc., and their affiliates.

13. Ideas and Concepts. Any and all title, ownership rights, and intellectual property rights concerning any ideas, concepts, suggestions, materials and the like that Subscriber provides to West regarding Westlaw, westlaw.com or Westlaw Software shall become the exclusive property of West and may be used for its business purposes in its sole discretion without any payment, accounting, remuneration or attribution to Subscriber.