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How to Complete Your California Personal Injury Settlement Release

Release of All Claims, Personal Injury (with Civil Code Section 1542 waiver)

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About this form. A release ends an injury claim in exchange for a settlement payment. Many insurers require the claimant's signature to be notarized before they issue the check.

1. **Read it carefully**
   A release is final. Once signed, the claim usually cannot be reopened. Talk to an attorney before signing if you have any questions.
2. **Sign before a notary**
   Bring a current, government-issued photo ID.

After It's Signed

- Return the signed release as the insurer directs, and keep a copy.

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RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS (PERSONAL INJURY)

with Civil Code Section 1542 waiver

Releasing party (claimant)

Address

Released parties (persons, companies, and insurers)

Date and place of incident

Claim number

Settlement amount ($)

In exchange for the settlement amount, the releasing party releases and forever discharges the released parties from all claims, known and unknown, for bodily injury, property damage, and all other losses arising from the incident. The releasing party agrees to pay from the settlement any medical, hospital, insurance, or government liens (including Medicare or Medi-Cal) related to the incident, and states that no one else holds any part of these claims. This release is a compromise of a disputed claim and is not an admission of liability. The releasing party expressly waives all rights under California Civil Code Section 1542, which provides: “A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release and that, if known by him or her, would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.” The releasing party has read this release, understands it, and signs it voluntarily.

Releasor's initials: _____

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Date

X

Releasing party

Printed name

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
)
COUNTY OF) **ss.**

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

On (date)

before me, (insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared

name(s) of releasing party

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct. WITNESS my hand and official seal.

X

Notary Public

(Notary seal)

Notary's printed name

Title (Notary Public, State of California)

My commission expires

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