TEMPLATE

We, Mentor, and, Mentee, agree to participate in the Self-Directed Structured Mentoring Program in accordance with the terms of this agreement. We understand the goals of mentoring include:

* Foster professionalism, civility and collegiality in the legal community;
* Bridge the gap for new and transitioning attorneys;
* Promote inclusion and eliminate bias with respect to the practice of law;
* Encourage professional development, including insights into the practice of law;
* Encourage personal development, including the need for healthy work-life balance and awareness of mental health, addiction, and stress issues; and
* Support the community through public service.

We acknowledge and will abide by the following rules:

* Any communication between Mentor and the Mentee is not intended to be the rendering of legal or professional advice to the Mentee or his or her clients, and the Mentee will not rely upon such communications or cause any client to rely upon them.
* No confidential or attorney-client relationship is formed between Mentor and the Mentee as a result of participation in mentoring. Neither the Mentee nor Mentor will identify any client or reveal any client confidence to the other, nor will either seek professional or legal advice from the other about specific legal matters or clients. Instead all discussions about substantive legal matters between the Mentee and Mentor will be limited to hypothetical situations.
* Mentor is not assuming any liability or responsibility with respect to any legal matter of the Mentee’s clients, nor will the Mentor render professional services to, or take any responsibility either directly or indirectly for any aspect of representation of the Mentee’s clients.
* Mentor will not co-counsel any matter with the Mentee, nor will Mentor make referrals to or accept referrals from the Mentee during the term of their mentoring term.
* The Mentor and Mentee will not be employed by the same employer.

We hereby certify that we have read the above *Mentoring Agreement* and agree to its terms.

Mentor Signature: Date:

Mentee Signature: Date: