## SOCIOLOGY/CRIMINAL JUSTICE/SOCIAL WORK INTERNSHIP HOLD HARMLESS FORM

# 1. I PROMISE NOT TO SUE TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY FORANY INJURIES OCCURRING WHILE I AM PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY.

In consideration for receiving permission to participate in SOC/CJ?SW 4900 (hereinafter referred to as "activity"), I release and covenant not to sue Tennessee Technological University, theBoard of Regents of the State University and Community College
System of Tennessee, the State of Tennessee, and all employees and agents of these parties (hereinafter referred to as "releasees") from all claims related to any loss that may be sustained by me, including loss of life, or to any property belonging to me, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees or otherwise, while participating in this activity or while on the premises where this activity is being conducted.

## 2. I AM AWARE OF THE RISKS OF CHOOSING TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS ACTIVITY. I ACCEPT FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THESE RISKS.

The activity has been explained to me, including the risks involved in participating in this activity, and I understand these risks. I voluntarily choose to participate in this activity. I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risks of loss, property damage, or personal injury -- including death -- that may be sustained by me as a result of participating in this activity, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees or otherwise.

## 3. I WILL REIMBURSE TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY FOR ANY COSTS IT INCURS BECAUSE OF MY PARTICIPATION IN THIS ACTIVITY.

I agree to indemnify the releasees for any loss or costs -including medical bills, court costs, and attorneys' fees -that Tennessee Technological University may incur due to my
participation in this activity, whether this loss is a result of
the negligence of releasees or otherwise.

## 4. THIS AGREEMENT WILL ALSO PREVENT MY FAMILY FROM SUING TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY.

It is my intent that this Agreement shall bind the members of my family and spouse (if I am alive) and -my heirs, assigns, and personal representative (if I am deceased). This Agreement shall be deemed as a Release and Consent not to sue regarding any claims these parties may have against releasees relating to my participation in this activity, whether these claims arise out of the negligence of the releasees or otherwise.

## 5. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE.

Students interning in criminal justice agencies will not participate in covert activities of any type. The student is placed in an agency only to observe and perform duties NOT requiring the power of arrest. Students are NOT to assume the. duties of a police officer or undercover agent. The reason for this policy is basically one of protection in three areas:

- a. To protect the definition of 'intern' and minimize the chance that s/he would be used in the capacity of a patrolman/woman -- either reserve or replacement;
- b. To protect the intern by not putting him or her in a position where suit may be filed for indiscretionate use of police power, i.e., use of deadly force, false arrest, illegal search, etc.; and
- c. To protect the agency from insurance suits as interns are not technically patrolmen/women and are, therefore, not insured under departmental insurance.

I agree NOT to volunteer or participate, if requested, in any law enforcement action which calls for the duties of a sworn officer or undercover agent. I fully understand that any such involvement on my part shall warrant an automatic 'F' in the course as well as possible disciplinary action by Tennessee Technological University. It is further understood that Tennessee Technological University will not be responsible if I am involved in police actions that result in punitive damages or bodily injury while participating as a criminal Justice intern.

Students interning in social agencies will not do testing, dispense drugs or medication, nor do counseling which should be undertaken only by professionals. They will NOT, even if requested, invade the privacy of -- or in any way interfere with -- the rights of people with whom they work. I fully understand that any such involvement on my part will result in an automatic 'F' in the course as well as possible disciplinary action by Tennessee Technological University.

In signing this Agreement, I acknowledge that I have read it, understand it, shall abide by it, and sign it voluntarily.

Participant's Date of Birth
Participant's Signature

If the participant is under eighteen (18) years of age, the signature of a parent or legal guardian is required.