



Acknowledgment and Acceptance of Risk

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. While BNI has taken the appropriate steps to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 being transmitted at the BNI Chapter Meeting, BNI cannot prevent you from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 as a result of attending a BNI Chapter Meeting. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to attend the BNI Chapter Meeting you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting and/or spreading COVID-19.

Accordingly, I acknowledge that it is my personal and voluntary decision to return to in-person meetings at my Chapter rather than utilizing BNI online as an alternative method of attending the Chapter Meeting. I acknowledge that I understand and freely assume any and all risks of returning to in-person meetings. I further acknowledge that I am not symptomatic for COVID-19, and to the extent that I have been tested for COVID-19, I did not test positive for the virus. Furthermore, I am not considered high- risk person to contact and have complications from the COVID-19 disease. Moreover, if at any time I become symptomatic for COVID-19 I will immediately notify my Chapter President to enable my Chapter to participate in any contact-tracing that the local jurisdiction may require. I will discontinue attending in-person meetings at my Chapter for at least 14 days after self-imposed quarantine. In order to attend these in-person meetings I will follow and comply with all directives that the Chapter President may require including, but not limited to, wearing face coverings and maintaining social distancing of at least 6ft from any other Chapter attendee or participant. I further acknowledge that it is my responsibility to review and comply with any government, state, or local directives, advisories, warnings, or any other information regarding COVID-19 and which are directed to individuals, and based on those guidelines I freely assume any and all risks which may accompany those guidelines and/or directives.

Waiver, Release, and Hold Harmless. In consideration for being permitted to attend in-person BNI Chapter meetings I do hereby covenant not to sue and release from all liability, claims, demands, losses or damages, G & S Referrals LLC (“**G & S**”), the BNI Chapter, BNI Global, LLC (“**BNI**”), and their affiliates, together with all of their respective present and former administrators, principals, officers, employees, members, directors, agents, servants, representatives, parents, subsidiaries, franchisees, independent contractors, successors, and assigns and, if applicable, owner and lessors of premises where a meeting takes place (each considered one of the "Releasees" herein) in connection with exposure, infection and/or spread of COVID-19 related to my attendance at any BNI Chapter meeting. I understand that this waiver means I give up my right to bring any claims including for personal injuries, death, disease or property losses, or any other loss, including but not limited to claims of negligence and give up any claim I may have to seek damages, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen. I further agree that if, despite this release and waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement, I or anyone on my behalf makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I will indemnify, hold harmless and pay for the defense of each of the Releasees from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage or cost which may incur as the result of such claim. This Waiver, Release, and Hold Harmless shall be binding upon my survivors, heirs, successors, and assigns. I understand and agree that this Waiver, Release and Hold Harmless is a release of liability and I sign it on my own free will.

CHOICE OF LAW: I understand and agree that the law of the State of New York will apply to this Release.

Member/Visitor Name

Signature

Date