Engagement Waiver Clause - Waiver of Potential Conflicts of Interest Form

Whenever the interests of a current client might affect, or be affected by, the personal, business, financial, or professional interests of a lawyer, a professional or business associate or relative of the lawyer, another current client, or a former client, there is always a possibility for the existence of such multiple interests to interfere with the lawyer's ability to serve one set of interests without adversely affecting other interests. Whenever such interests become conflicting, it is necessary for the lawyer to withdraw from all attorney-client relationships affected by such conflict, and it is then necessary for each person to hire a new lawyer.

With respect to [describe representation and subject matter], there exists the possibility for the following interests of the following persons to become conflicting: [describe all reasonably foreseeable interests that each client and former client might, in the course of after-the-fact dissatisfaction, claim to have adversely affected the lawyer's judgment or performance, and describe the potential adverse effects on each client].

Despite possibilities for such interests to conflict, you believe one lawyer can adequately represent, advance, or protect each such interest without harming any other such interests. Therefore, you agree that you want me to represent each of you in this matter, and you each refuse to exercise your right to hire a different lawyer and hereby waive the conflicts described.

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