

**Acknowledgment of Risk
Acceptance of Responsibility
Release of Liability**

This document affects your legal rights. You must read and understand it before initialing or signing.

DUTY OF PARTICIPANTS: It is recognized that some Aikido seminars and classes can be hazardous to participants regardless of all feasible safety measures which can be taken. All participants shall have a duty to act as a reasonably prudent person when engaging in Aikido activities. *I hereby covenant and agree NOT to:*

- (a) Engage in any harmful conduct or willfully, or negligently engage in any type of conduct which contributes to or causes injury to any person.
- (b) Cause damage, through willful intent or negligence to any structure or property used for the seminar or classes. Should any such damage occur, I am solely responsible for it, and will repair or replace said structure or property.
- (c) Embark in any self-initiated activity without first informing the organizers of the seminar or classes of my intentions and receiving permission from the organizers to engage in such self-initiated activity.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF RISK: I understand and acknowledge that the activity which I am about to voluntarily engage in as a participant and/or volunteer bears certain known risks and unanticipated risks which could result in injury, death, illness or disease, physical or mental, or damage to myself, to my property, or spectators or other third parties. I, being aware that this activity entails risks or injuries to myself and a risk of injury to spectators or third parties as a result of my actions, expressly agree, covenant, and promise to accept and assume all responsibility and risk for injury, death, illness, or disease, or damage to myself or to my property arising from participation in Aikido. I also agree to pay for any damages caused to others (including attorney's fees and costs) if they are injured or otherwise damaged due to any negligent actions. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary, no one is forcing me to participate, and I elect to participate in spite of the known and unknown risks.

RELEASE: In consideration of the services and/or property provided, I, for myself and any minor children for which I am the parent, legal guardian, or otherwise responsible, any heirs, personal representatives, or assigns, do hereby release the organizers of the seminar or classes, its principals, directors, officers, agents, or volunteers from any liability, and waive any claim for damages arising from any cause whatsoever (except that which is gross negligence). I further agree to reimburse the organizers of the seminar or classes for all attorney's fees and costs should I bring a legal action against the organizers of the seminar or classes and lose.

PHOTOGRAPHY: I, or any minor children for which I am the parent or legal guardian, recognize that DSBK often takes photographs that might include me (or any minor children for which I am the parent or legal guardian) for positive use to promote Aikido on the website, Facebook, email, newsprint, fliers, posters, etc. Regarding this, I can either opt in (ok to be in photos) or opt out (not ok to be in photos). OPT IN OPT OUT

ENTIRE AGREEMENT: I understand that this is the entire agreement between myself and the organizers of the seminar or classes, its agents or employees, and that it cannot be modified or changed in any way by the representations or statements of any employee or agent of the organizers of the seminar or classes or by me.

My signature below indicated that I have read this entire document, understand it completely, and agree to be bound by its terms.

date

print name

Signature of Participant

Signature of Parent or Guardian
(if participant is under age of 18)