



# AILA CONFERENCE COVID-19 SAFETY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

## Liability Waiver and Release of Claims

***This is a legal document – Please Read & Sign!***

This document must be electronically signed by the conference registrant and submitted within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt.

### **COVID-19 Health and Safety Information and Protocols**

An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 and its variants (herein collectively referred to as “COVID-19”) exists in any public place where people are present. AILA will follow the applicable COVID-19 health and safety measures put into effect for the time of the conference by federal, state, and local public health and government officials. The requirements in this document are based on conditions at the time registration for the conference was opened.

Attendance at the in-person conference is limited to all registered participants (including speakers and exhibitors) *who have completed the registration process and signed this Liability Waiver and Release of Claims as instructed.*

### **Assumption of Risk & Agreement**

**By registering for and attending the conference, you voluntarily agree to the following terms and conditions:**

- To assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.
- To accept primary responsibility for taking steps to protect yourself from contracting COVID-19.
- To follow all federal/state/local public health and government guidelines on COVID-19 health and safety in effect at the time of the conference, as directed by AILA.
- To fully comply with any health, safety, and other policies instituted by AILA and the venue while attending the conference, including any modifications and/or enhancements of health and safety protocols.
- To provide proof of up to date vaccination against COVID-19 upon arrival at the conference if requested, including proof of booster vaccinations within the time frame recommended by the U.S. Centers For Disease Control & Prevention. Currently, the CDC recommendations for persons 18 years of age and older are:
  - For Pfizer, 1 booster at least 5 months after receiving the 2<sup>nd</sup> Pfizer vaccine, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> booster for adults age 50 and older at least 4 months after the 1<sup>st</sup> booster.
  - For Moderna, 1 booster at least 5 months after receiving the 2<sup>nd</sup> Moderna vaccine, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> booster for adults age 50 and older at least 4 months after the 1<sup>st</sup> booster.
  - For Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen, 1 booster at least 2 months after receiving the J&J/Janssen vaccination and a 2<sup>nd</sup> booster for adults age 50 and older at least 4 months after the 1<sup>st</sup> booster.
  - For Novavax, only the 2 primary doses are required; there is no booster recommended at this time.
- You should complete all vaccinations prior to arriving at the conference. Additional booster vaccinations may be required, and/or the time frame for vaccinations changed, with notice from AILA upon issuance of any updated recommendations by the CDC.
- If the conference is held in a city with a “low” or “medium” COVID-19 community level as determined by the CDC, masks will be optional, except for (i) persons immunocompromised; (ii) persons at high risk of severe diseases; and (iii) persons having close contact with someone with COVID-19 within 10 days of the conference, as set forth below.



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### Assumption of Risk & Agreement (Continued)

- If the conference is held in a city with a “high” COVID-19 community level as determined by the CDC, masks will be highly recommended unless masks are required by the local government. If masks are required, to properly wear a mask that covers both your mouth and nose at all times as directed by AILA, including but not limited to in the conference spaces except while actively eating or drinking or when outdoors. N95, KN95, and disposable surgical masks are preferred.
- Prior to the conference, if you test positive for COVID-19 or are experiencing symptoms, to isolate in your home and wear a mask around others for at least 5 days; and to not travel for 10 days from the date the symptoms started or the positive test was taken. A subsequent negative test is required before attending the conference. You should also not attend so long as you continue to experience symptoms.
- Prior to the conference, if you were in close contact with someone with COVID-19, to get tested 5-7 days after your last exposure, and prior to the conference. If your test is negative, you may attend the conference unless you are experiencing symptoms. You must continue to wear a mask until 10 days after your last exposure.
- If required by AILA, to submit to a daily health check at the conference. This may include a COVID test.
- To pay for all costs and expenses if you contract COVID-19 or test positive for COVID-19 prior to or while at the conference, including but not limited to costs related to a mandatory or voluntary quarantine (hotel, food and beverage), medical care, transportation to and from a medical facility or hospital, and changes in travel plans.
- Hotel and conference services may be modified or curtailed at any time if necessary or appropriate to meet COVID-19 health and safety practices.
- These COVID-19 Health & Safety Protocols are subject to change without prior notice, in AILA’s sole discretion. If you do not abide by these Protocols, including the terms and conditions of attendance in effect at the time of the conference (as determined in AILA’s sole discretion), you will not be permitted to enter the conference and participate in person, or (if the conference has started) you will be refused further admission; and your registration will be transferred to the webcast option (if available).
- AILA reserves the right to cancel your conference registration (including speakers and exhibitors) at any time and for any reason, and provide you with the applicable refund, in its sole discretion. If cancellation is for your failure to abide by the terms and conditions of attendance, you will receive no refund.
- Under no circumstances shall AILA, its officers, directors, employees, and contractors be liable to you (or anyone claiming through you) for any injury, damages, claims, liabilities, costs, expenses, or other loss of any kind (including death), arising in any manner from COVID-19 or otherwise arising from your travel to/from, attendance at, or participation in, the conference.
- AILA has no responsibility for any injury, damages, claims, liabilities, costs, expenses, or other loss of any kind (including death) arising in any manner from an event organized by an AILA chapter, affiliate, or other person or entity occurring prior to, during, or after the conference. You assume all risks from attendance at such events.
- You agree that this Liability Waiver & Release of Claims does not supersede or limit any applicable law limiting or barring the liability of AILA, its officers, directors, employees, and/or contractors from any claims related to COVID-19.



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All participants must be up to date with vaccinations against COVID-19 before attending the conference, and may be asked to show proof of up to date vaccination upon arrival. Anyone providing false information about their vaccination status may be barred from future conferences. "Up to date" means that you received all doses of your primary vaccination(s) and all boosters recommended for you by the CDC, when eligible. Should the CDC later recommend additional boosters, you must receive those boosters if required by AILA.

### Webcast Option

The webcast option for participation in the conference will be available to those choosing not to attend in person, and those who cannot abide by the Assumption of Risk & Agreement terms above. Those participating by webcast are responsible for providing their own computer and other equipment used to access the conference and to pay for connectivity. Webcast participants also assume the risk of computer and Internet malfunctions and connection problems.

### Signature / Execution

Prior to AILA confirming your paid registration, you must signify your agreement to the terms and obligations in this document by signing this Liability Waiver and Release of Claims electronically and returning to us according to the instructions provided. **Please initial one of the options listed below, print name, date, sign, and return within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of this Waiver.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Opt-in: I affirm I have carefully read this Liability Waiver and Release of Claims, understand its terms and conditions, and agree to be bound by all terms and conditions set forth herein.

\_\_\_\_\_ Opt-out (Change to Webcast): I do not agree to the terms and conditions of this Liability Waiver and Release of Claims. Please transfer my registration to the webcast option.

\_\_\_\_\_ Opt-out (Refund): I do not agree to the terms and conditions of this Liability Waiver and Release of Claims. Please process a full refund.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please email completed form to: [conferences@aila.org](mailto:conferences@aila.org)**