

## **Potential Uses of Membership Affiliation Form and Acknowledgement**

Theories of liability against inter/national organizations for acts of collegiate students include:

- That the collegiate student was the agent of the inter/national organization for his/her act that is the basis of the claims;
- That the inter/national organization can and does control and can and does supervise the acts and functions of collegiate students including the acts of chapters and students located hundred and thousands of miles from the offices of the inter/national organization.

It is not uncommon that the claimant is himself or herself a member of the inter/national organization. These allegations are generally if not always contrary to the reality of what an inter/national organization can and cannot do, and what it does and does not do.

This form is designed to be signed by the collegiate affiliate of the inter/national organization as part of the affiliation process, or accepted on-line for on-line affiliation procedures.

This form can be used as an acknowledgement by the collegiate student of the realities of the relationship between him or her, the student's chapter, and the inter/national organization.

Other uses include:

- An educational tool for your governing board, local volunteers and membership;
- An educational tool for college and university personnel;
- Deposition examination tool for counsel for the inter/national organization;
- A document which can be attached to a court paper as an exhibit to educate the Court and to prepare an appropriate Court record;
- A trial exhibit to educate a jury.