BERGEN COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

CLAIMANT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

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_____ Email:_____

ATTORNEY INFORMATION (If Applicable)

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____ Fax: _____

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_____ File No.: _____

Email: _____

Send Notices to: □ Claimant □ Attorney

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS: Pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, this Notice of Tort Claim form has been adopted as the official form for the filing of claims against the Borough of Franklin Lakes.

The questions are to be answered to the extent of all information available to the Claimant or to his or her attorneys, agents, servants, and employees, under oath. The fully completed Claim Form and the documents requested shall be returned to the:

Municipal Clerk
Borough of Franklin Lakes
480 DeKorte Drive
Franklin Lakes, New Jersey 07417

NOTE CAREFULLY: Your claim will not be considered filed as required under the New Jersey Tort Claims Act until this completed form has been filed with the municipality. Failure to provide the information requested, including such responses as "To Be Provided" or "Under Investigation" will result in the claim being treated as not being properly filed.

Timely Notices of Claim must be filed within 90 days after the incident giving rise to the claim.

This form is designed as a general form for use with respect to all claims. Some of the questions may not be applicable to your particular claim. For example, if your claim does not arise out of an automobile accident, questions regarding road conditions might not be applicable. In that event, please indicate "Not Applicable."

It you are unable to answer any questions because of a lack of information available to you, specify the reason the information is not available to you. If a question asks that you identify a document, it will be sufficient to furnish true and legible copies. Where a question asks that you "identify all persons," provide the name, address and telephone number of the person.

If you need more space to provide a full answer, attach supplementary pages, identifying the continuation of the answer with the number of the applicable question.

DEFINITIONS:

"Claimant" shall refer to the person or persons on whose behalf the Notice of Claim has been filed with the Township.

"**Documents"** shall refer to any written, photographic, or electronic representation, and any copy thereof, including, but not limited to, computer tapes and/or disks, videotapes and other material relating to the subject matter of the claim.

"Person" shall include in its meaning a partnership, joint venture, corporation, association, trust or any other kind of entity, as well as a natural person.

"Public Entity" shall refer to the Borough of Franklin Lakes along with any agent, official, or employee of the Borough of Franklin Lakes against whom a claim is asserted by the Claimant.

NOTE: That the questions are divided into sections relating to the claimant, the claim, property damage, personal injury and the basis for the claim against the public entity or public employee.

If the claim involves only property damage, the portion on personal injuries need not be answered. If the claim involves no property damage, then the portion on property damage need not be answered.

INFORMATION ON THE CLAIMANT

1. Provide the following information with respect to the Claimant:

    - Any other name by which the claimant is known.

    - Address at the time of the incident giving rise to the claim.

    - Marital Status (at the time of the incident and current).

    - Identify each person residing with the claimant and the relationship, if any, of the person to the Claimant.

2. Provide all addresses of the Claimant for the last 10 years, the dates of the residence, the persons residing at the addresses at the same time as the Claimant resided at the address and the relation, of any of the persons to the Claimant.

INFORMATION ON ALL CLAIMS

3. Provide the exact date, time and place of the incident forming the basis of the claim and the weather conditions prevailing at the time.

4. Provide the Claimant's complete version of the events the form the basis of the claim.

5. List any and all individuals who were witnesses to or who have knowledge of the facts of the incident which gives rise to the claim. Provide the full name and address of each individual.

6. Identify all public entities or public employees (by name and position) alleged to have caused the injury or property damage and specify as to each public entity or employee the exact nature of the act or omission alleged to have caused the injury or property damage.

7. If you claim that the injury or property damage was caused by a dangerous condition of property under the control of the public entity, specify the nature of the alleged dangerous condition, and the manner in which you claim the condition caused the injury.

8. If you allege a dangerous condition of public property, state the specific basis on which you claim that the public entity was responsible for the condition and the specific basis and date on which you claim that the public entity was given notice of the alleged dangerous condition. **Statements such as "should have known" and "common knowledge" are insufficient.**

9. If you or any other party or witness consume any alcoholic beverages, drugs or medications within twelve hours before the incident forming the basis of the Claim, identify the person consuming the same and for each person (a) what was consumed, (b) the quantity thereof, (c) where consumed, (d) the names and addresses of all persons present.

10. If you have received any money or thing of value for your injuries or damages from any person, firm or corporation, state the amounts received, the dates, names and addresses of the payers. Specifically list any policies of insurance, including policy number and claim number, from which benefits have been paid to you or to any person of your behalf, including doctors, hospitals or any person repairing damage to property.

11. If any photographs, sketches, charts, or maps were made with respect to anything which is the subject matter of the Claim, state the date thereof, the names and addresses of the persons making the maps and of the persons who have present possession thereof. Attach copies of any photographs, sketched, charts or maps.

12. If you or any of the parties to this action or any of the witnesses made any statements or admissions, set forth what was said; by whom said; the date and place where said; and in whose presence, giving names and addresses of any persons having knowledge thereof.

13. State the total amount of your claim and the basis on which you calculated the amount claimed.

14. Provide copies of all documents, memoranda, correspondence, reports (including police reports), etc. Which discuss, mention or pertain to the subject matter of this claim.

15. Provide the names and addresses of all persons or entities against whom claims have been made for injuries or damages arising out of the incident forming the basis of this claim and give the basis for the claim against each.

PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIM

16. If your claim is for property damage, attach a description of the property and an estimate of the cost of repair. If your claim does not involve any claim for property damage, enter "None."

Note: If your claim is for property damage only, initial here and proceed directly to the certification section on the next to last page of this form.

☐ **Initials:_____**

PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS

17. Was any complaint made to the public entity or to any official or employee of the public entity. State the time and place of the complaint and the person or persons to whom the complaint was made.

18. Describe in detail the nature, extent and duration of any and all injuries.

19. Describe in detail any injury or condition claimed to be permanent.

20. If confined to any hospital, state name and address of each and the dates of admissions and discharge. Include all hospital admissions prior to and subsequent to the alleged injury and give the reason for each admission.

21. If x-rays were taken, state (a) the address of the place where each was taken, (b) the name and address of the person who took them, (c) the date when each was taken, (d) what each disclosed, (e) where and in whose possession they now are. Include all x-rays, whether prior to or subsequent to the alleged injury forming the basis of the claim.

22. If treated by doctors, including psychiatrist or psychologist, state (a) the name and present address of each doctor, (b) the dates and places where treatments were treatments are continuing, the schedule of continuing treatments. Provide true copies of all written reports rendered to you or about you by any doctor whom you propose to have testify on your behalf.

23. If you have any physical impairment which you allege is caused by the injury forming the basis of your claim and which is affecting your ordinary movement, hearing or sight, state in detail, the nature and extent of the impairment and what corrective appliances, support or device you use to overcome or alleviate the impairment.

24. If you claim that a previous injury has been aggravated or exacerbated, describe the injury and give the name and present address of each doctor who treated you for the condition, the period during which treatment was received and the cause of the previous injury. Specifically list any impairment, including use of eyeglasses, hearing aid or similar device, which existed at the time of the injury forming the basis of the claim.

25. If any treatments, operations, or other form of surgery in the future has been recommended to alleviate any injury or condition resulting from the incident which forms the basis of the claim, state in detail (a) the nature and extent of the treatment, operation, or surgery, (b) the purpose thereof and the results anticipated or expected, (c) the name and address of the doctor who recommended the treatments operations or surgery, (d) the name and address of doctor who will administer or perform the same, (e) the estimated medical expenses to be incurred, (f) the estimated length of time of treatments, operation or surgery, period of hospitalization and period of convalescence, (g) all other losses or expenditure anticipated as a result of the treatment, operations or surgery, (h) further if it is your intention to undergo the treatments, operation or surgery, please give an approximate date.

26. Itemize any and all expense incurred for hospital, doctors, nurses, x-rays, medicines, care and appliances and indicate which expenses were paid by any insurance coverage.

27. If employed at the time of the alleged injury forming the basis of the claim state (a) the name and address of the employer, (b) position held and the nature of the work performed, (c) average weekly wages for the year prior to the injury, (d) period of time lost form employment, giving dated, (e) amount of wages lost, if any. List any sources of income continuation or replacement, including, but not limited to, workers' compensation, disability income, social security and income continuation insurance.

28. If other loss of income, profit or earnings is claimed, state (a) total amount of loss, (b) give a complete detailed computation of the loss, (c) the nature and dates of the loss.

29. If you are claiming lost wages state (a) the date that the employment began, (b) the name and address of the employer, (c) the position held and the nature of the work performed, (d) the average weekly wages. Attach copies of pay stubs or other complete payroll record for all wages received during the year.

DOCUMENT REQUEST: Provide all documents identified in your answers to the above questions.

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information provided is the truth and is the full and complete response to the questions, to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Claimant: _____

[Date]

Authorization for Release of Employment Records

Date: _____

To: _____
_____

Re: _____ _____
Employee's Name Social Security Number

_____ _____
_____ Claim Number
Address

You are hereby authorized and requested to disclose, make available and furnish to:

_____
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Approximate date of lost time:

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A photocopy of this release form, bearing a photocopy of my signature shall constitute you authorization for the release of the information in accordance with the request made to you.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCLOSE HEALTH INFORMATION

PATIENT NAME: DATE OF BIRTH:

ADDRESS: SOCIAL SECURITY NO.:

1. I do hereby consent and authorize the use and/or disclosure of my health information as described below.

2. The following individual or organization is authorized to make the disclosure.

	Specific date(s) of treatment and/or admission: ***All dates of examination and treatment***

3. The type and amount of information to be used or disclosed is as follows:

MY ENTIRE MEDICAL CHART FOR ALL DATES OF SERVICE INCLUDING:

XX	Problem List	XX	Laboratory Results
XX	Medication List	XX	Consultation Reports
XX	List of Allergies	XX	X-Ray and Imaging Reports
XX	Immunization Record	XX	Personal contact with the provider of service
XX	Most recent history & physical	XX	Other: Bills
XX	Most recent discharge summary		

I understand that the information in my health record may include information related to sexually transmitted disease, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), or human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). It may also include information about behavioral, psychiatric or mental health services and treatment for alcohol and drug abuse or genetic information. I authorize the release of this information.

This information may be disclosed to and used by the following individual or organization or any of the attorneys or authorized representative thereof for the purpose of legal representation, or to provide copies of my records to opposing parties in litigation, which I have commenced.

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I understand I have the right to revoke this authorization at any time. I understand that if I revoke this authorization I must do so in writing and present my written revocation to the health information management department. I understand the revocation will not apply to my insurance company when the law provides my insurer the right to contest a claim under my policy. If I fail to specify an expiration date, event or condition, this authorization will expire at the conclusion of the litigation between _____

I understand the disclosure of this health information is voluntary. I can refuse to sign this authorization. I need not sign this form in order to assure treatment. I understand that I may inspect or copy the information to be used or disclosed, as provided in CFR 164.524. I understand any disclosure of information carries with it the potential for an unauthorized re-disclosure and the information may not be protected by federal confidentiality rules. If I have questions about disclosures of my health information, I can contact the HIM director or privacy officer for information.

I understand that this consent shall operate as a complete release of liability to the hospital, medical provider, and to their employees for the release of the information specified above. I have read and understand the terms of this Authorization and I have had an opportunity to ask questions about the use and disclosure of my health information. I hereby, knowingly and voluntarily, authorize the provider of medical services to disclose my health information in the matter described above.

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Signature of Patient/Legal Representative Date

********** NOTICE OF RECIPIENT OF INFORMATION **********

Each disclosure made with the patient's consent may be accompanied by the written statement reproduced below. This information has been disclosed to you from records protected by Federal confidentiality rules 42 C.F.R. Part 2. The Federal rules prohibit you from making any further disclosure of this information unless further disclosure is expressly permitted by the written consent from the person to whom it pertains or as otherwise permitted by 42 C.F.R. Part 2. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is not sufficient for this purpose. The Federal Rules restrict any use of the information to criminally investigate or prosecute any alcohol or drug abuse patient.