

## Alpha Sigma Phi Biographical Information for MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT AND AFFILIATION FORM

By electronically signing this document, I acknowledge that I have read and understand this Membership Agreement and Affiliation Form; I agree to adhere to the purpose of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity Inc., and agree to the Membership Affiliation guidelines as outlined in this document.

I acknowledge and/or agree to the following:

1. I have voluntarily affiliated for the purpose of being initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity by the Alpha Sigma Phi chapter/provisional chapter located at the college or university at which I am currently enrolled as a student.

2. To follow and comply with all policies and procedures as outlined in the Fraternity Constitution and By-laws, which can be found on the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity website; the chapter/provisional chapter Constitution and By-laws; and the Ritual of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity.

3. To familiarize myself with and comply with Alpha Sigma Phi Health and Safety Guidelines, which can be found on the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity website. These Guidelines forbid any form of hazing or assault.

4. To comply with the laws of the land and rules, regulations and policies of the institution where I am enrolled as a student.

5. Alpha Sigma Phi Headquarters does not control, supervise or operate the chapter/provisional chapter located at the college/university at which I am enrolled as a student, or any chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. All chapters/provisional chapters are self-governing and financially self-sufficient associations of college students.

6. I am not an agent of or an appointed representative of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity and that I have no authority to enter into any agreement which in any way legally binds Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity.

7. To waive my rights as it pertains to FERPA and give permission for my institution to release all of my educational records, including but not limited to my academic record and conduct history to the chapter officers, advisors and/or Fraternity Headquarters. This waiver will remain in effect as long as I am enrolled at my institution and I am a member of Alpha Sigma Phi. I give permission for Alpha Sigma Phi Headquarters to request this information on my behalf.

8. To pay all membership fees (fraternity, chapter, house, etc.) by the expected due date each academic term that I am enrolled as a student at the college/university of which I am currently enrolled. Fraternity, chapter and house fees have been explained to me by a chapter officer. I am responsible for these fees regardless of my level of participation in chapter activities. Fees not paid by the due date are subject to late fees and/or interest charges. If I do not pay my fees in full at the beginning of a term, I authorize the Fraternity/Chapter/House Corporation to divide my balance owed into equal monthly installments until my balance is \$0, or the start of the next academic term, whichever occurs first, and that these installments will be charged to the credit/debit card that I provided and is on file. In the event I default under the obligations of this Membership Agreement and this Membership Agreement is placed in the hands of an attorney for collection (whether or not suit is filed), I agree to pay all reasonable attorney's fees and expenses of collection incurred by the chapter including collection agency fees up to 50% of the outstanding balance where permitted by law.

9. Once I participate in the Initiation Ceremony or am initiated, membership fees are non-refundable. Prior to participating in the Initiation Ceremony, I may be eligible for a partial refund. Refunds are determined at the sole discretion of the chapter or in the case of a provisional chapter/interest group, the Fraternity Headquarters. Members of Provisional Chapters/Interest Groups will owe a minimum of \$250, regardless of whether they elect to participate in the Initiation Ceremony.

10. If my chapter/provisional chapter ceases to exist and/or be recognized by Alpha Sigma Phi, all outstanding fees and invoices owed to the Fraternity, CLVEN, College/University or third-party vendors will be divided equally among all members on the roster as determined by Fraternity Headquarters. If there are unpaid or outstanding fees at the end of the academic year, Alpha Sigma Phi and/or CLVEN may divide those equally among all members on the roster as determined by Fraternity Headquarters. This invoice becomes the responsibility of each member to pay in full his pro rata share of the bill and will become subject to the normal collection process if unpaid.

11. Alpha Sigma Phi does not have an inactive or early alumnus status for members. I cannot voluntarily quit or resign from the Fraternity after participating in the Initiation Ceremony or being initiated. 35 days after the Participation in Scene 1 of the Initiation Ceremony, I will be considered an initiated member of Alpha Sigma Phi, regardless of whether I have participated in the remaining scenes of the Initiation ceremony. Alpha Sigma Phi is an organization for life and to be released from my obligation requires written permission from the Fraternity President and CEO or the Grand Council. The chapter/provisional chapter has no authority to expel/release me from membership.

12. Any member, including new members, making claims for personal injury, damages to property or disputes of any nature will be referred for resolution through the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity Claims and Dispute Resolution Program, which can be found on the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity website. Members and the Fraternity are bound to use the Claims and Dispute Resolution Program as the primary and sole means of dispute resolution. If a claim or dispute is unable to be resolved out of my membership or participation in any Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity related activity, under the terms of the Program, the claim or dispute will be submitted to binding arbitration instead of through the courts. If legal action is instituted, the court will be requested to refer the matter back to the Claim and Dispute Resolution Program for final resolution. This program is binding on all members, chapters and affiliate groups of Alpha Sigma Phi. YOUR DECISION TO JOIN, ACCEPT MEMBERSHIP OR CONTINUE MEMBERSHIP IN ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY MEANS YOU HAVE AGREED TO AND ARE BOUND BY THE TERMS OF THIS PROGRAM AS CONTAINED IN THE PLAN DOCUMENT AND RULES, OF WHICH CAN BE FOUND ON THE ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY WEBSITE. This will be true both during your membership and after your membership, should your membership be terminated for any reason. While members and Alpha Sigma Phi retain all substantive legal rights and remedies under this Program, both are waiving all rights which either may have with regard to trial by jury for personal injury, property damage, contract or any other related matters in state or federal court. This Plan covers any legal or equitable claim for personal injury, property damage, equity or breach of contract, arising out of any tort, statute, contract or law.

13. Alpha Sigma Phi will periodically communicate information through text message, phone, mail and email. Should you choose to opt out, or change contact information without providing updated information, you understand you may miss important and timely information and cannot hold the Fraternity responsible for a lack of knowledge.

I HEREBY RELEASE AND DISCHARGE ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, WHETHER PRESENT OR IN THE FUTURE, INCLUDING ANY PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS THAT MAY IN ANY WAY ARISE OUT OF MY ASSOCIATION WITH IT OR MY CHAPTER/PROVISIONAL CHAPTER Name: \*NEW MEMBER E-SIGNATURE\* Date of Electronic Signature: MM/DD/YYYY

You accepted this agreement from IP 111.111.211.11 on DATE SIGNED 2:33:44 pm.