

# BRIDGE PROGRAM

## PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am seeking permission to participate in the District of South Carolina's BRIDGE Program. I understand that if I am accepted into the BRIDGE Program, I must fully comply with the counseling requirements, other Court orders, and with the Order Setting Conditions of Release. I understand that failure to comply with the terms of this agreement or the Court's orders may result in modification and/or termination from the BRIDGE Program. I also understand that my conduct while in the BRIDGE Program could result in revocation of bond, probation, or supervised release.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that information provided during BRIDGE review hearings is not protected, and could later be used against me;

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree that I will not violate any federal, state, or local laws, and I acknowledge that I may be immediately terminated from the BRIDGE Program if I am charged with any such violations;

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that the Assistant United States Attorney can petition—at any time—for my termination from the BRIDGE Program. I understand that the decision regarding termination rests in the sole discretion of the judge supervising the BRIDGE Program;

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to report to the supervising U.S. Probation Officer, as soon as possible but in no event later than 24 hours, every contact with law enforcement personnel, including arrests, questioning, or traffic stops;

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree not to use drugs or alcohol;

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree that, if I am on bond or placed on bond, I am consenting to participation in the BRIDGE Program as a condition of my bond. I agree that, if I am on supervised release, I am consenting to participation in the BRIDGE Program as a condition of my supervision;

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree that, by participating in the Program, I am waiving my right to a speedy trial;

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to obey all instructions of the judicial officer of the U.S. District Court and the U.S. Probation Officer;

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to be honest with the Court and with the U.S. Probation Officer;

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to notify the U.S. Probation Officer within 24 hours of the following: a change in address; a change in phone number; losing or quitting my job; changing my educational pursuits; or a loss of my cellular telephone;

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to submit to drug testing as directed by the judicial officer of the U.S. District Court and the U.S. Probation Officer;

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to immediately enroll in substance abuse treatment program as directed and to abide by the rules and regulations of that program until clinically discharged;

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that should I fail to appear for any of the BRIDGE Program's status hearings, a warrant may be issued for my arrest;

- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to execute releases of information allowing the U.S. Probation Officer to access my financial records from any source, including bank/financial sources, credit information services, and the Social Security Administration;
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to execute releases of information allowing the U.S. Probation Officer to access my medical records with hospitals, doctors, and pharmacies;
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to notify all health care providers of the specifics of my substance abuse addiction;
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to report to the U.S. Probation Officer, as soon as possible but in no event later than 24 hours, every contact with medical personnel, including doctor and emergency room visits; I will report immediately to the U.S. Probation Officer any medication prescribed to me;
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to undergo record checks for up to three (3) years following the termination of my term of supervision only for purposes of the BRIDGE program evaluation;
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will not discuss anything said in the court sessions with ANYONE outside the sessions; I fully understand that the identity of all BRIDGE Program participants must be kept confidential;
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will not associate with any BRIDGE Program participants outside of the status hearings, drug treatment sessions, and self-help meetings, unless granted permission to do so by the U.S. Probation Officer;
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will not associate with any persons engaged in criminal activity and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony, unless granted permission to do so by the U.S. Probation Officer; and
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to allow the United States Probation Office to access and monitor all of my social networking accounts i.e., Facebook, My Space, Twitter, etc.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read the Participant Overview and the Participant Agreement, or they have been read to me, and I understand the terms and conditions of my participation in the BRIDGE Program and agree to fully comply with those terms and conditions. By agreeing to participate in the program I understand that I am consenting to disclosure of my confidential information to the BRIDGE Program team members and during court sessions as appropriate. I understand this is a voluntary program and that I can revoke my participation at any time.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

I have advised my client of all of the terms and conditions, and believe that my client fully understands those terms and conditions, and knowingly and voluntarily seeks permission to participate in the BRIDGE Program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney for Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

I recommend the above-named individual for participation in the BRIDGE Program for the District of South Carolina.

\_\_\_\_\_  
United States Probation Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

I approve the above-named individual for participation in the BRIDGE Program for the District of South Carolina.

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Bruce H. Hendricks  
United States Magistrate Judge  
District of South Carolina

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Date