

### Request for Exemption

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby formally request an exemption from the Covid-19 vaccination requirement pursuant to federal law.

#### **Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act**

All COVID-19 vaccines are merely authorized, not approved or licensed, by the federal government; they are Emergency Use Authorized (EUA) only. The Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act states that individuals to whom EUA products are administered must be informed—

- (I) that the Secretary has authorized the emergency use of the product;
- (II) of the significant known and potential benefits and risks of such use, and of the extent to which such benefits and risks are unknown; and
- (III) of the option **to accept or refuse administration** of the product, of the consequences, if any, of refusing administration of the product, and of the alternatives to the product that are available and of their benefits and risks.

Title 21 U.S.C. § 360bbb-3(e)(1)(A)(ii)(I-III).

Accordingly, the federal court held that the U.S. military could not mandate EUA vaccines to soldiers. *Doe #1 v. Rumsfeld*, 297 F.Supp.2d 119 (2003). The court held: “...the United States cannot demand that members of the armed forces also serve as guinea pigs for experimental drugs.” *Id.* at 135. No court has ever upheld a mandate for an EUA vaccine, nor will they do so with the Covid-19 vaccine which has not been licensed or approved by the FDA.

#### **Title VII of the Civil Rights Act**

My sincerely held religious beliefs also exempt me from receiving the Covid-19 vaccination. My beliefs are deeply rooted in God and his teachings revealed in Scripture: “Honor

the Lord with your bodies” (1 Cor. 6:20). The Bible encourages Christians to abstain from contaminating one’s body with substances that may be threatening to one’s bodily health. Based on the lack of sufficient research surrounding Covid-19 vaccines and the known harmful side effects many individuals have already experienced, it may be harmful and dishonoring to my body to receive the vaccine. I also believe the use of any vaccination containing cell lines from an aborted fetus to be unclean. The Old Testament discusses unclean substances (Isaiah 64:6). Although the New Testament reveals Christ as the one who cleanses our souls, I have a responsibility to honor the Lord through my body. Until longitudinal research can prove that use of Covid-19 vaccines are safe and effective, I consider such vaccines unclean.

If my request for religious accommodation is not granted, I will pursue all available legal action.

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