

# GeorgiaFIRST Robotics – GRITS 2016

CONSENT AND RELEASE FORM

FRC® Program - 2016 Season

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM# \_\_\_\_\_

GENDER: M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_ DATE of BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

NOT WITH A TEAM \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**1. BACKGROUND.** This is a Consent and Release of Rights (“Release”) in favor of Georgia FIRST Robotics and its officers, directors, employees, successors, assigns, volunteers and entities (“Peachtree District”) who are working at the authorization or direction of Georgia FIRST Robotics with respect to participation in events and programs officially offered by United States Foundation for the Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (“FIRST”) and/or Georgia FIRST Robotics, whether organized by FIRST, Georgia FIRST Robotics, or by both - (collectively the “FIRST Event(s)"). “Participant” means any person participating, attending, and/or involved, in any capacity, in a FIRST Event.

**2. AUTHORIZATION TO REPRODUCE PHYSICAL LIKENESS.** (A). I acknowledge that FIRST Events are semi-public events that may be attended by the members of the press, business corporations, and media (“Commercial Guests”) not under the control of Georgia FIRST Robotics who might photograph or videotape the event. As a matter of practice, Georgia FIRST Robotics asks Commercial Guests to comply with the FIRST and Georgia FIRST Robotics policy of not printing a Participant’s name with his/her picture, and Georgia FIRST Robotics asks them not to use images of Participants for commercial purposes without obtaining specific written permission from the Participant. (B). In consideration of being allowed to participate in one or more FIRST Events, I hereby agree and grant to Georgia FIRST Robotics the following: (1) the right to photograph, videotape, or otherwise digitally collect my likeness, voice and sounds (as “Works”) during my presence at the FIRST Event(s) and assign and grant all rights in these Works to Georgia FIRST Robotics; and (2) the right to use or sublicense these Works and my name, likeness and biography, in Georgia FIRST Robotics’ discretion, in all media, for the promotion of Georgia FIRST Robotics and its mission, program and events.

**3. WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ANY FUTURE CLAIMS.** (A). There are risks inherent in participating in FIRST Events, including risks in the construction of robots, as well as in working with electrical connections, traveling to and from events, and participating in public competitions. These risks include the risk of bodily harm (including without limitation, death) and property damage or loss. (B). Being fully cognizant of the risks of participating in a FIRST Event, I hereby assume those risks. Except to the extent due to the gross negligence or willful misconduct of Georgia FIRST Robotics, and to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, in consideration of being allowed by Georgia FIRST Robotics to participate in the FIRST Events, **I HEREBY WAIVE AND RELEASE ANY CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION that I may now or hereafter have against Georgia FIRST Robotics arising in connection with or relating to my participation in any FIRST Event or arising from unofficial Georgia FIRST Robotics programs and events offered by others. I hold harmless Georgia FIRST Robotics, against any and all claims resulting from such participation, including, without limitation, claims for compensation, defamation, or invasion of privacy, or other infringements or violations of personal or property rights of any sort whatsoever.**

**4. AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT.** In the event I should sustain injuries or illness while involved in a FIRST Event, I hereby authorize Georgia FIRST Robotics to arrange for emergency first aid, medications, and/or hospital treatment.

**5. CHOICE OF LAW.** This Release shall be binding upon me and my heirs, personal representatives and assigns, and shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Georgia, which shall be the venue for any legal action. This Release constitutes the entire agreement among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter of this Release and supersedes any and all such previous agreements among the parties, whether written or oral.

**6. CONFIDENTIALITY.** Georgia FIRST Robotics strongly believes in the confidentiality of all contact information. Georgia FIRST Robotics promises that it will not rent or sell this contact information. However, I hereby grant to Georgia FIRST Robotics the right to use the personal contact information provided here to support and promote Georgia FIRST Robotics, and its research, program evaluation, alumni efforts and/or other outreach activities.

**7. SIGNATURE** I understand that this form involves a release of legal rights. I hereby consent and agree to the above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian, I understand that this form involves a release of legal rights. For the participant under the age of eighteen(18) years listed above, I hereby consent and agree to the above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date