

## DECLARATION OF DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP for Active Members

We, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ declare:  
Member Name Domestic Partner Name

1. We are each at least eighteen (18) years of age, or have met the requirements of Family Code Section 297.1; and
2. We have agreed to be jointly responsible for each other's basic living expenses incurred during the domestic partnership and/or have chosen to share one another's lives in an intimate and committed relationship of mutual caring; and
3. We are not related by blood to any degree that would bar marriage in the State of California; and
4. Neither of us is married to another person; and
5. Neither of us is currently in a domestic partnership with another person; and

We understand that our domestic partnership will terminate if any of the following occurs and that it is our responsibility to promptly file a Notice of Termination of Domestic Partnership with LACERS in the event:

- One of us gives, or sends by certified mail, to the other, a written notice terminating the partnership. LACERS' Notice of Termination of Domestic Partnership requires proof of written notice, which includes signed attestation of both domestic partners and/or copies of the written notice and certified mail tracking slip.
- One of us dies.
- One of us marries or enters into another domestic partnership with someone else.

### Member's Information:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Telephone Number

### Domestic Partner's Information:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Telephone Number

I'm also a Member of LACERS

Do you have a State Registered Domestic Partnership? Yes No

# INFORMATION REGARDING THE DECLARATION OF DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP

1. Both the Member and the Domestic Partner are required to complete the Declaration.
2. The Declaration must be on file with LACERS **one year prior** to the Member's retirement in order for the domestic partner to qualify for a continuance benefit.
3. Effective January 1, 2012, common residency is no longer required to establish a domestic partnership under Family Code Section 297.
4. Under Family Code Section 297 minors may enter into domestic partnerships if authorized by a court order and evidenced by written consent of the minor's parents.
5. If your domestic partnership is registered with the State of California or some other comparable jurisdiction, termination of your domestic partnership must be in accordance with the laws and procedures governing state-registered domestic partnerships as community property laws may apply.
6. If your domestic partnership is registered with the State of California, you **must** provide LACERS with a conformed copy of the filed domestic partnership document.

Filing this document does not automatically entitle your domestic partner to survivor benefits. You must complete and file a Designation of Beneficiary form. Moreover, in order for your domestic partner to receive a lifetime survivor benefit, in the event of your death while active, he or she must be designated as the sole beneficiary of your accumulated contributions.

In the event of termination of your domestic partnership, both the Member and the Domestic Partner will be required to sign a Termination of Domestic Partnership Form.

***We each declare that these representations are true, correct, and contain no material omissions of fact to the best of our knowledge. We understand and comply with this document, and have provided copies of each of our photo identifications:***

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Domestic Partner Signature

Executed this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ California.

This Declaration of Domestic Partnership shall become effective on the day LACERS receives the document.

## ADA NOTICE

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