



Application for Long Term Disability Income Benefits

Send to: Group Long Term Disability Claims, P.O. Box 14333, Lexington, KY 40512

For Customer Service: (800) 538-4583

Fax: (610) 807-8221

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SECTION 1 - CLAIMANT STATEMENT

To be completed by the Employee/Member (Be sure to answer ALL questions – Failure to do so may delay your claim review)

INFORMATION ABOUT YOU

First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	Member ID
Address of Residence	City	State	Zip
			Social Security Number
Telephone #	Cell # or alternate #	E-mail Address	

Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year) : ____/____/____
☐ Male ☐ Single ☐ Widowed
☐ Female ☐ Married ☐ Divorced
☐ Other legal union
Your employer: _____ Group Policy #: _____ Occupation: _____

Please indicate the extent of your formal education (circle one). This information is needed to evaluate return to work potential.

Schooling Completed: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 Diploma: ☐ Yes ☐ No GED: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Vocational or Trade School: 1 2 3 4 Field of Study: _____ Certificate or license obtained ☐ Yes ☐ No
College: 1 2 3 4 Degree: _____ Masters: ☐ Yes ☐ No Doctorate: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Fields of Study _____

Briefly describe your past work experience for the last 20 years or attach resume. (Begin with your most recent job.)

Job Title	Duties	# of Years Worked
(a)		
(b)		
(c)		
(d)		

Spouse's First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year)
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Do you authorize us to speak with someone other than yourself regarding your claim? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, advise of name, relationship and telephone # below:

Name	Relationship	Telephone #
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Do you have any dependent children? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, name and birth date of each child

Do you have an appointed Durable Power of Attorney to handle your financial affairs? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please attach a copy.

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CLAIMED DISABILITY

Please provide the date you were first unable to work your regular work schedule due to your condition: ____/____/____ How many hours did you work that day? _____

Since that date, have you done any work? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, indicate dates worked, name of employer, and amount earned

Before you stopped working, did your condition require you to change your job, or the way you did your job? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain:

What job duties are you unable to perform due to your condition and why?

If you have not returned to work, do you expect to? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown If yes, Part time (date) ____/____/____ Full time (date) ____/____/____. Would you be interested in vocational rehabilitation services to assist with your return to work? ☐ Yes ☐ No

What is or are your disabling condition(s)?			
What were your first symptoms?			
When did you first notice your symptoms? _____ Have you had this condition before? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, when?			
Next to each Activity of Daily Living (ADL) listed below, please place the number that most accurately reflects your ability or inability to perform each activity: 1 = I can perform this activity independently; 2 = I can perform this activity with the use of equipment or adaptive devices; 3 = I cannot perform this activity.			
_____ Bathe (tub, shower, or sponge)	_____ Transfer from bed to chair		
_____ Dress yourself	_____ Voluntary bladder and bowel control or ability to maintain a reasonable level of personal hygiene		
_____ Use the toilet	_____ Feed yourself with food that has been prepared and made available to you		
Have you suffered a severe cognitive impairment that renders you unable to perform common tasks, such as using the phone, money management, or medication management? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, describe:			
Date you were first treated by a physician for the condition for which you are claiming disability: ____/____/____			
Name of Provider		Provider's Telephone #	
Is your condition related to your employment? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please explain:			
Have you filed, or do you intend to file a Workers' Compensation Claim? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, attach a copy of the award or denial.			
If your disability was caused by an accident, answer the following questions: When, where and how did the accident occur?			
If a police report was filed, attach a copy of the report. Do you intend to file suit regarding this accident? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, provide attorney name, address and telephone #:			
INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CARE AND TREATMENT			
Family Provider Name		Specialty	
Address		City	State Zip
Telephone #	Fax #	Dates Seen: ____/____/____ to ____/____/____	
List all other providers, pharmacy, and hospitals you have seen for your condition (attach separate sheet, if needed)			
Provider Name		Specialty	
Address		City	State Zip
Telephone #	Fax #	Dates Seen: ____/____/____ to ____/____/____	
Provider name		Specialty	
Address		City	State Zip
Telephone #	Fax #	Dates Seen: ____/____/____ to ____/____/____	
Pharmacy Name		Telephone #	Fax #
Address		City	State Zip
Hospital Name		Dates of Hospitalization: ____/____/____ to ____/____/____	
Address		City	State Zip

OTHER INCOME/BENEFITS

Complete the sections below for any other income/benefits you have received/are receiving, or are eligible to receive during your disability. Please attach a copy of the award letter.

Source of income	Amount(week/month)	Date claim was filed	Date payments began	Date payments ended
Sick pay or salary continuation	\$ _____	N/A	_____	_____
Earnings from work while disabled	\$ _____	N/A	_____	_____
State Disability	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Short Term Disability	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Workers' Compensation	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
No-Fault Insurance	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Social Security Disability	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Social Security Retirement	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Pension/Disability	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Pension/Retirement	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Unemployment	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Other _____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____

Please contact us immediately if any of the above sources of income changes.

INFORMATION ABOUT TAX WITHHOLDING

Federal law requires us to withhold income tax from your check **only if you request us to do so**. We are also required to send a report to your employer at the end of each calendar year showing your name, total amount of benefits paid to you, total amount withheld, if any, and your social security number. If you want us to withhold tax, please indicate on the line below the whole dollar amount or percentage to be withheld per month. (Minimum of \$20.00)

\$ _____ .00 or _____ %

FRAUD NOTICE

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statements of claim containing any materially, false information, or conceals for purpose of misleading information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and may also be subject to civil penalties, or denial of insurance benefits.

The laws of New York require the following statement appear: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation.

✱ _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____

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The information obtained with this authorization may be used by Guardian to determine eligibility for benefits under The Insured's policy.

I, the undersigned, **AUTHORIZE** and request any physician, medical or mental health professional, medical practitioner, hospital, clinic, healthcare or other medical or medically related facility, healthcare provider, pharmacy, pharmacy benefit manager, therapist, benefit plan administrator, business associate, insurer or reinsurer, consumer reporting agency subject to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, insurance support organization, insurance agent, employer, payroll processor, employer service provider, financial institution, Governmental Agency including The Social Security Administration, The Veteran's Administration or any other organization or person having any knowledge of The Insured to give The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America ("Guardian") or its employees and agents, or its authorized representatives, or third parties, any information in its possession about The Insured. This information includes, but is not limited to, medical information as to cause, treatment, diagnoses, prognoses, consultations, examinations, tests or prescriptions with respect to The Insured's physical or mental condition or treatment of The Insured. This may include (but is not limited to) HIV infection, any disorder of the immune system, including acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), sexually transmitted diseases, mental illness or use of alcohol or drugs, unless otherwise restricted by state law. This information also includes non-medical information concerning The Insured, The Insured's occupation, driving history, employment history, earnings or finances or information otherwise needed to determine policy claim benefits that may be due The Insured.

I, the undersigned, **UNDERSTAND** that this authorization is part of the policy's Proof of Loss requirement and if I revoke or fail to sign this authorization or alter its content in any way, it may affect the handling of The Insured's claim, including the denial of benefits under The Insured's policy. Any information obtained will not be released by Guardian to any person or organization except to: affiliates (including but not limited to Berkshire Life Insurance Company of America); reinsuring companies; other persons (including but not limited to The Insured's attending medical provider), or insurance support organizations performing business or legal services in connection with The Insured's claim or application for insurance, or as may be otherwise lawfully required, or as I may further authorize. Information disclosed pursuant to this authorization is no longer covered by federal privacy rules and may be redisclosed pursuant to this authorization or as otherwise permitted or required by law. In the event that my coverage with Guardian requires me to pursue benefits available from the Social Security Administration, I further authorize Guardian to disclose information contained in my claim file with third parties specializing in social security disability claims.

I, the undersigned, **UNDERSTAND** that I have the right to revoke this authorization in writing at any time by sending a written request for revocation to Guardian at P.O. Box 14333, Lexington KY 40512. I understand that a revocation is not effective to the extent that Guardian has already relied on this authorization, or to the extent that the company has a legal right to contest a claim under an insurance policy or to contest the policy itself.

I, the undersigned, **AGREE**. A photocopy of this form is as valid as the original, and I may request one. I agree this authorization extends to all future requests, including records, past the date of the signature below. This form is valid up to 24 months (12 months in Kansas) from the date shown below.

I, the undersigned, **AUTHORIZE** the Social Security Administration to release information or records about (The Insured) to Guardian or its authorized representative or third parties. This information is to be released in order to properly adjudicate The Insured's claim or continue The Insured's eligibility for benefits. Please release detailed earnings for up to the last ten years and/or summary record of total earnings and/or information from master benefit records regarding award, denial or continuing benefits.

Signature of Insured (or Authorized Representative)

Date

Name and Phone # of Authorized Representative

Relationship of Authorized Representative

Name of Insured: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Claim #: _____ **Policy #:** _____

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SECTION 2 - EMPLOYER/PLANHOLDER STATEMENT

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EMPLOYER/PLANHOLDER

Employee/Member Name (Hereafter referred to as claimant)	Social Security Number	Date of Birth
Claimant's Address (Street, City, State, Zip)		Claimant's phone number

INFORMATION ABOUT THE EMPLOYER / PLANHOLDER

Company's Name	Group Policy Number
Address (Street, City, State, Zip)	Telephone Number
Name and address of division where claimant works (if different from above)	Fax Number

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLAIMANT

Date claimant was hired ____/____/____	Date claimant became insured under this plan ____/____/____	Insurance class:	Schedule at time last worked: ____ hours per day ____ days per week
Was the claimant insured under your prior LTD policy? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please provide the effective and termination dates of coverage: ____/____/____ Through ____/____/____			Name of prior carrier:
Has the claimant been terminated? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, date: ____/____/____ Reason:			
Would you be willing to rehire this person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Reason:			
Was the claimant on non-discriminatory family leave when disability began? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Date leave of absence started under Family Leave Act ____/____/____			
Did LTD insurance continue while on family leave? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			

INFORMATION NEEDED FOR WITHHOLDING AND REPORTING TAXES

Contributions to the cost of this insurance:

____% paid by employer	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if claimant elected a bonus back/gross up arrangement (IRS Ruling 2004-55) on a Post Tax basis
____% paid by claimant	<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Tax <input type="checkbox"/> Post-Tax

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLAIM

What was the claimant's regular job?	How long had the claimant been performing his/her regular job?
Was the claimant performing his regular job on his or her last day at work? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If No, Please explain _____	
If no, how long had this claimant been performing this other job? _____	
Last day claimant worked ____/____/____	On that day, did the claimant work a full day? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If No, how many hours were worked? _____
Reason for leaving work: <input type="checkbox"/> dismissed <input type="checkbox"/> leave of absence <input type="checkbox"/> disability <input type="checkbox"/> resigned <input type="checkbox"/> retired <input type="checkbox"/> layoff	Date claimant is expected/did return to work ____/____/____ Full time? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Part time? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the claimant's condition work related? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Has a Workers' Compensation claim or similar claim been filed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, send initial report of illness or injury and award notice.
Name, address and phone number of that benefit provider	

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR PENSION PLAN (Do not complete for maternity claim.)

Do you have a pension plan? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If Yes, what type? (Check as many as applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/> Defined Benefit <input type="checkbox"/> 401 K <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Defined Contribution <input type="checkbox"/> Profit Sharing
Is the claimant eligible for your pension plan? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If No, why?	If eligible, does the claimant participate? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If No, why?	
If the claimant is participating, when is he or she eligible for benefits under the plan? ____/____/____		
Is there a Disability Retirement option available to this claimant? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR JOB ACCOMMODATION OR RETURN-TO-WORK POLICIES

Does your company have a job-holding policy? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain _____

What is the name, title, and telephone number of the person we should contact to discuss return to work or job accommodation opportunities?

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLAIMANT'S SALARY

Average earnings excluding bonus, overtime and special compensation as of the most recent redetermination date:

\$ _____ ☐ Week ☐ Month ☐ Year

Date of last salary increase ____/____/____

Claimant is paid:

☐ hourly ☐ Salary ☐ W2 earnings _____
☐ by partnership ☐ commissions only* ☐ salary & commissions*
☐ salary & bonus* ☐ salary & commissions*

*Please provide average of bonus and commissions for 24 months preceding your plan's most recent redetermination date

Is this claimant eligible for salary continuation?

☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, what is the weekly amount? \$ _____ When did benefits begin? ____/____/____ End? ____/____/____

Has the claimant filed for Short Term Disability or State Disability benefits?

☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, what is the weekly amount? \$ _____ When did benefits begin? ____/____/____ End? ____/____/____

List any other sources of income to which the claimant is entitled as a result of this disability:

Information about the physical aspects of the claimant's job

Check the items below that relate to the claimant's job and complete the information requested. Use these definitions for the frequency of occurrences in an eight hour day

- **Not Applicable** means the person does not perform this activity
- **Frequently** - 2 ½ hours up to 5 ½ hours

- **Occasionally** - 15 minutes up to 2 ½ hours
- **Continuously** - 5 ½ hours and beyond

Frequency of Occurrence

Activity	N/A	Occasionally	Frequently	Continuously
<input type="checkbox"/> Standing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Walking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Sitting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Balancing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Bending	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Kneeling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Crouching	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Crawling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Reaching	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Working overhead	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Keyboard Use/Repetitive Hand Motion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Climbing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Driving	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Activity	Description	Frequency	Weight
<input type="checkbox"/> Pushing	_____	_____	_____ lbs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Pulling	_____	_____	_____ lbs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Lifting	_____	_____	_____ lbs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Carrying	_____	_____	_____ lbs.

Stress level ☐ Low ☐ Moderate ☐ High ☐ Very highCan the job be performed by alternating sitting and standing? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Claimant must use hands for repetitive action such as:

	Right		Left	
Simple grasping	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Firm grasping	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Fine manipulation	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Use feet for repetitive movements as in operating foot controls:

Right ☐ Yes ☐ No Left ☐ Yes ☐ No Both ☐ Yes ☐ No**REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS AND SIGNATURE****Please attach a copy of the claimant's job description.****If salary is based on a W-2, K-1, 1099 or a similar document, attach a copy of the most recent document.****If you have medical information from the claimant's file relating to this disability, please attach copies.****If a work related claim is filed, send a copy of the initial report of injury or illness and award notice.****Fraud Notice**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statements of claim containing any materially, false information, or conceals for purpose of misleading information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and may also be subject to civil penalties, or denial of insurance benefits.

The laws of New York require the following statement appear: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation._____
Name (Please print or type)_____
Title_____
Email Address_____
Signature_____
Date

The laws of several states require the following statements to appear on the claim form:

Alabama: For your protection California law requires the following to appear on this form: The falsity of any statement in the application shall not bar the right to recovery under the policy unless such false statement was made with actual intent to deceive or unless it materially affected either the acceptance of the risk or the hazard assumed by the insurer.

Arizona: For your protection Arizona law requires the following statement to appear on this form. Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

California: For your protection California law requires the following to appear on this form: Any person who knowingly presents false or fraudulent information to obtain or amend insurance coverage or to make a claim for the payment of a loss is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in state prison.

Colorado: It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of an insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to a policyholder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policyholder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado Division of Insurance within the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

Connecticut, Iowa, Nebraska and Oregon: Any person who knowingly, and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person, files an application of insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, may be guilty of a fraudulent insurance act, which may be a crime, and may also be subject to civil penalties.

Delaware, Indiana and Oklahoma: WARNING: Any person who knowingly, and with the intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

District of Columbia: WARNING: It is a crime to provide false or misleading information to an insurer for the purpose of defrauding the insurer or any other person. Penalties include imprisonment and/or fines. In addition, an insurer may deny insurance benefits, if false information materially related to a claim was provided by the applicant.

Florida: Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive any insurer files a statement of claim or an application containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is guilty of a felony of the third degree.

Kansas: Any person who knowingly, and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person, files an application of insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, may be guilty of insurance fraud as determined by a court of law.

Kentucky: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files a statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime.

Louisiana and Texas: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinements in state prison.

New Mexico: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment or a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to civil fines and criminal penalties or denial of insurance benefits.

Maine, Tennessee and Washington: It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines or a denial of insurance benefit.

Maryland: Any person who knowingly or willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly or willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

Minnesota: A person who files a claim with intent to defraud or helps commit a fraud against an insurer is guilty of a crime.

New Hampshire: Any person who, with a purpose to injure, defraud or deceive any insurance company, files a statement of claim containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is subject to prosecution and punishment for insurance fraud, as provided in N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 638:20.

New Jersey: Any person who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any false or misleading information is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

Ohio: Any person who with intent to defraud or knowing that he/she is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement is guilty of insurance fraud.

Pennsylvania: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

Rhode Island: Any person who knowingly and willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly and willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

Vermont: It is a crime for any person knowingly to provide material false, incomplete, or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company, for any person knowingly to provide material false, incomplete, or misleading information concerning the sale of insurance or the status of an insurer, or for any person to misappropriate the funds of an insured or an applicant for insurance. Penalties include imprisonment, fines, and denial of insurance benefits.

Virginia: Any person who, with the intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may have violated state law.

GUARDIAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

Customer Electronic Consent and Disclosure Agreement

I, _____, having applied for insurance benefits from Guardian Life Insurance Company of America ("Guardian") have expressed a desire to conduct business electronically with regard to my benefit claim ("Claim") and communications related to the Claim. In order to conduct business electronically, I hereby provide Guardian and its authorized designees and agents with my consent:

- (a) to have the information described in this Customer Electronic Consent and Disclosure Agreement ("Consent") delivered to me electronically;
- (b) To receive via electronic means, through email or otherwise, documents that Guardian is required by law to provide or make available to me in writing relating to the Claim or arising therefrom ("Required Documents") as well as other information and documents [collectively, ("Other Documents")];
- (c) To execute via electronic means Required Documents and Other Documents and to be bound with the same force and effect as if I had affixed my signature on paper by hand when I click "I consent" or otherwise apply my electronic signature to Required Documents or Other Documents; and
- (d) To all of the terms and conditions set forth below in this Consent.

Even though I have provided Guardian with this Consent, I acknowledge and agree that Guardian may, at its option: (a) deliver Required Documents and Other Documents to me on paper, and (b) require that certain communications from me be delivered to Guardian on paper.

Furthermore, I acknowledge that (1) I may expressly request that certain Required Documents or Other Documents be provided on paper at no charge and (2) this Consent shall remain in force as long as the Policy is in effect; or until I withdraw my consent by providing Guardian written notice of my withdrawal at the address stated below, and permitting Guardian at least five (5) business days from receipt within which to process my revocation; whichever occurs first:

Guardian Life Insurance Company of America
Attention: Long Term Disability Claims
PO Box 981579
El Paso, TX 79998-1579

Documents can be returned electronically at www.GuardianAnytime.com. Click on "Secure Channel" on the Guardian Anytime home page.

Software and Hardware Requirements

To access and retain Required Documents and Other Documents from Guardian, you must

- 1. Be able to view the disclosures on your monitor and save files to your computer or send screen prints to your printer, which can be done with your browser.
- 2. Have access to an Internet service using the following browsers:

Web Browser

Internet Explorer V7 and 8
Firefox V3
Safari V5
Safari V4.0.5

Operating Systems

Windows XP Professional Win7 Vista
Windows XP Professional WIn7 Vista Mac OS X 10.5 Mac OS X 10.6
Mac OS X 10.5.8 and Mac OS X 10.6
Mac OS X 10.5.8

- 3. Be able to receive e-mail that contains hyperlinks to websites in order for Guardian to deliver Required Information to you.

By my signature below, I have read this Consent and accept it voluntarily with full knowledge and understanding of its terms and conditions and assert that I have the requisite Software and Hardware.

Signature: _____

Date: _____