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CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This certifies that Bill No. 485, "An Act to add Section 1544 to the Civil Code of Guam to regulate the granting of releases in personal injury cases", was on the 12th day of June, 1968, duly and regularly passed.

  
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J. C. ARRIOLA  
Speaker

ATTESTED:

  
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F. T. RAMIREZ  
Legislative Secretary

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This Act was received by the Governor this 24<sup>th</sup> day  
of June, 1968 at 9:42 o'clock A.M.

/s/ Rudolph G. Sabian

Acting Secretary of Guam

APPROVED:

/s/ Manuel F. L. Guerrero

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MANUEL F. L. GUERRERO  
Governor of Guam

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Introduced by J. C. Arriola

AN ACT TO ADD SECTION 1544 TO THE CIVIL CODE OF GUAM  
TO REGULATE THE GRANTING OF RELEASES IN PERSONAL  
INJURY CASES.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. The following new Section 1544 is hereby added to the  
3 Civil Code of Guam:

4 "Section 1544. Releases in Personal Injury. Any agreement  
5 entered into on or after the effective date of this Act by any  
6 person within fifteen (15) days after he incurs a personal injury,  
7 which is related to his right to be compensated for such injury,  
8 including but not limited to agreements relating to waivers of  
9 procedural or other rights, may be disavowed in writing by such injured  
10 person or, in the case of a minor, also by his parent or guardian,  
11 within one (1) year after the making of the agreement. No agreement  
12 disavowed may be introduced as evidence in any judicial or  
13 administrative proceeding. In order to be effective, any such  
14 disavowal shall be sent by registered mail to the person by whom  
15 it was obtained or on whose behalf it was obtained, or to the  
16 attorney of the defendant against whom action is brought for such  
17 personal injury, at the last known address of such person or attorney,  
18 and no disavowal shall be ineffective because unaccompanied by an  
19 offer to return any consideration accepted on account of the agreement.  
20 In lieu of making a disavowal by registered mail as provided herein,  
21 such disavowal may be made by a pleading in an appropriate action or  
22 proceeding provided that such pleading is filed within one year  
23 after the making of the agreement disavowed.

1           In the event of the death, incompetence or disability of  
2           the injured person, his executor, administrator, guardian or other  
3           personal representative may make the disavowal in the manner and  
4           within the time period provided in this Section."