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**Informed Consent Contract for Porn Performers**

**Do you consent to:**

1. Losing control of the most intimate part of your life for as long as you live and after (because the images will live on long after you die). Exposing your body to untold millions of porn consumers who will view you as a "slut" or a "whore." You will never be able to regain control of these images and they will be owned and distributed by and across the porn industry.

Should you decide that you no longer want the pornographic images circulating across multiple platforms, you will have limited to no legal recourse to prevent this, and most likely, you will make no money beyond the initial payment.

If you decide to fight this in court, you will have to pay lawyers' fees (generally around \$350 per hour) with no guarantee that you will win. And even if you do, you cannot wipe out these images because they will have spread across the internet and been downloaded by thousands, if not millions, of porn consumers. They will likely be re-packaged and sold in bulk to distribution networks that will be hard to trace given that many are dispersed across the world.

2. Catching numerous STDs, many of which are antibiotic resistant, including, but not limited to:

- Chlamydia of the anus/throat/vagina/eye
- Gonorrhea of the anus/throat/vagina/eye
- Fecal throat infections
- Herpes of the Eye and/or Nose
- HIV of the Eye
- Hepatitis B and C

3. The possibility of the following happening on the porn set:

- Anal/Vaginal/Throat rape
- Vaginal or Anal Tears
- Rectal Prolapse
- Miscarriage if you are pregnant
- Being forced to doing sex acts you clearly stated in your contract that you would not do
- Damage to surgically implanted breasts that could cause rupture and would need removing
- Developing PTSD because of the ongoing abuse to body and soul

4. If any of 2 or 3 happens, you are responsible for all health care and medications because as contract labor, you have no health care benefits.

5. Being attacked on social media by the pornographers if you sue to prevent further distribution of the images. There is a strong possibility that they will set their lawyers on you, dig into every part of your past and present life, smear you on social media as mentally unstable, a "slut," a criminal, and so on.

6. Very high probability of your friends, family and any children you may have, finding these images. Your children will most likely be shamed by their peers, ridiculed for having a mother who was in pornography, feel like social outcasts, and have to live in a community that will most likely see you as a "slut."

7. Living in fear of future employers finding your images on the internet and firing you because your past behavior does not follow professional protocols of the company

8. Living your life in a vulnerable and unsafe world that has robbed you of bodily integrity, the right to privacy, the right to control your own image, the right to live free from fear, the right to live a healthy life, the right to make mistakes and then undo these mistakes, the right to feel empowered, the right to evolve into an adult that has ownership of their life, image, sexuality and personhood

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