UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK Informed Consent and Release GEOL386 – Experiential Learning

In consideration of being permitted to participate in the University of Maryland College Park, Geology Experiential Learning Program¹, (hereinafter the "Programs"), I voluntarily agree to indemnify, release and hold harmless the State of Maryland, the University and its officers, agents, employees and volunteers from any and all costs, liabilities, expenses, claims, compensation, demands, causes of action on account of any loss or personal injury to me that might result from my participation in the Program, whether arising through my own negligence, omission, default, or that of the University.

I understand that the Programs may require that I perform tasks off-campus and that transportation to and from the off-campus site is at my own risk and expense. As with any activity, there are certain inherent and unforeseen risks and losses that cannot be prevented. Should I require emergency medical treatment as a result of illness, injury or accident during the Programs, I consent to such treatment and acknowledge that I am responsible for any and all costs associated with that treatment. I will notify the University in writing if I have any medical conditions (e.g., allergies, asthma, epilepsy, bee-string reactions, etc.) that may limit the extent of my physical abilities/participation and about which emergency personnel should be informed.

Further, I understand that photographs are not considered 'directory information' by the University as defined by the federal Family Educational rights & Privacy Act (FERPA). Consequently, I understand that with this Consent & Release, I am expressly granting the University permission to use and release my likeness in either photographic or videographic format for future University use. The University will not be required to notify me prior to using or releasing my likeness. Finally, I understand that I am free to withdraw my consent in writing for future use at any time without penalty.

I have read and signed this document with full knowledge of its significance. I further state that I am either 18 years of age or older and competent to sign this Consent and Release, or that I have discussed this with my parents/legal guardian, who by their signature below agree with my decision to participate in the fieldtrip and to all of the terms and conditions stated above.

Name of Participant (please print)

Signature of Participant

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if participant if under 18)

Date

Name and Relationship of Person to Contact in Emergency (please print)

Daytime Phone Number / Evening Phone Number for Person to Contact in Emergency (please print carefully)

¹ These programs include, but are not limited to, the Geology major tracks.