

## **Applicant Engagement Agreement**

This agreement is drawn up between *Inside Justice* and the Applicant.

1. Applicants to *Inside Justice* must be clear: this charity seeks to support those who say they are entirely innocent of the crime for which they have been convicted.
2. *Inside Justice* seeks to deploy the scientific, legal, investigative and other experts available on its Advisory Panel and casework team for the good of genuine miscarriage of justice cases.
3. Applicants must be clear that full, unfettered disclosure by the applicant to *Inside Justice* is required at all times. If any information relevant to the index offence or matters which impact on the credibility of the applicant is discovered by *Inside Justice* which has not been forthcoming from the applicant, the case will be closed.
4. *Inside Justice* is a charity which is not bound by legal professional privilege between a prisoner and his/her legal team. This means that if you apply to *Inside Justice* you do so in the full knowledge that *Inside Justice* may voluntarily share information and/or evidence with whomever it chooses even if that information undermines the applicant's protestations of innocence.
5. Applicants should not authorise *Inside Justice* to investigate their case unless it is fully understood and accepted that whatever information the charity is aware of, it is at liberty to share as it sees fit. Signature of this document indicates full understanding and authority to proceed on these terms by the applicant. If this issue is not understood, the document should not be signed and further questions can be asked by the applicant.
6. *Inside Justice* will expect, as a matter of routine, to share information and evidence it has discovered with the applicant's legal team (current and future).
7. *Inside Justice* reserves the right to make additional disclosures to bodies beyond the applicant's legal team if the Trustees deem that the interests of justice require it. In these circumstances, disclosure by *Inside Justice* may not be restricted to parties working on behalf of the applicant but may include criminal justice agencies such as: The Crown Prosecution Service, the police; the Criminal Cases Review Commission and the Court of Appeal (Criminal Division). Information may be shared with these agencies, or others, either during an active *Inside Justice* investigation or subsequently - after the case is closed by the applicant or by the charity.

Signed by the Applicant: .....

Print Name: .....

Date: .....