

Independence Declaration

For External Auditors

Date: [Insert Date]

To: [Name of Audit Client]

Address: [Client Address]

From: [External Auditor / Audit Firm Name]

As required under applicable auditing standards and ethical regulations, we hereby declare that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, we are independent of [Name of Audit Client] as of the date of this declaration.

We have conducted a review of our relationships and services with [Name of Audit Client] for the period covered by the audit engagement, and confirm that we have met the relevant independence requirements as stipulated by regulatory bodies and professional standards.

We further confirm that there are no facts or circumstances that have compromised or may reasonably be considered to compromise our independence as external auditors for [Name of Audit Client].

[Authorized Signatory Name]

[Position, e.g., Audit Partner]

[Audit Firm Name]

Important Notes:

- This declaration is mandatory for external audit engagements to demonstrate compliance with independence standards.
- The document should be reviewed and updated throughout the audit engagement period.
- Any threats to independence must be disclosed and appropriately addressed.
- Retention of this declaration is required for quality control and regulatory review purposes.
- Modifications may be needed to comply with jurisdiction-specific independence requirements.