

**SERVICE AGREEMENT (1100)**  
**PLATOON LEADERS CLASS LAW**

**NAVMC 10698 (Rev 10-16) (EF)** (Previous editions are obsolete and will not be used)

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**PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT**

**AUTHORITY:** 10 U.S.C. 5042, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; 5 U.S.C. 301, Departmental Regulations; and E.O. 9397 (SSN) as amended; and SORN M01133-3.

**PURPOSE(S):** To certify that the applicant acknowledges and understands all expectations of him/her upon enrollment in an Officer Program in the United States Marine Corps. This service agreement binds the individual to the terms set forth in the agreement upon signature.

**ROUTINE USE(S):** This information will be accessed by recruiters and DON officials with a need to know in support of requests for enlistment in the U.S. Marine Corps. Information may also be released to officials and employees of other departments and agencies of the Executive Branch of government, upon request, in the performance of their official duties related to the management of quality military recruitment and the recruitment of Marine personnel.

**DISCLOSURE:** Voluntary; however, failure to provide the requested information may result in an inability to process the individual for enlistment.

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1. In connection with my application for enrollment in the **PLATOON LEADERS CLASS (PLC) LAW** program of the United States Marine Corps (USMC), I hereby acknowledge that:

a. Final approval of my application for enrollment in the **PLC LAW** program as an officer candidate will be determined by the Commandant of the Marine Corps (CMC).

b. Upon reporting for training to Officer Candidates School (OCS), I will be required to participate in training for a minimum of four (4) weeks before any voluntary request for disenrollment will be considered. A disenrollment, whether voluntary or for cause, will fully void the enlistment contract and result in my discharge, unless I have a preexisting service obligation, in which case I would be returned to my parent unit to fulfill my obligation. I understand that, should I terminate attendance at OCS prior to the completion of the requisite (4) weeks of training without the concurrence of the Commanding Officer of OCS, the Marine Corps is under no obligation to settle resultant travel expenses.

(1) If I am disenrolled from OCS and not recommended for future attendance by the Commanding Officer of OCS, I will be disenrolled from the **PLC LAW** program.

(2) If I am disenrolled from OCS but recommended for future attendance by the Commanding Officer of OCS, I will be disenrolled from the **PLC LAW** program and, if eligible, have the opportunity to reapply to the next available board.

(3) If I voluntarily disenroll from OCS at any time during the course of training, I will also be disenrolled from the **PLC LAW** program.

c. I am entitled to pay and allowances while attending OCS not less than those prescribed for pay grade E-5 or the highest pay grade achieved if I enter this obligation directly from current service at a pay grade above E-5.

d. Upon satisfactory completion of all commissioning requirements, I understand that I must choose to either accept or decline a commission if one is tendered to me, and that deferred acceptance is not authorized. If I decline my commission, I will be disenrolled from the **PLC LAW** program and may request reenrollment to CMC, provided I remain otherwise qualified.

e. A commission in the USMC is held at the pleasure of the President of the United States.

f. Upon acceptance of a commission, I will incur a Military Service Obligation (MSO) of eight (8) years in the USMC from the date of appointment to commissioned grade;

(1) Any portion of this eight (8) year MSO not served on active duty will be served on inactive duty as a member of the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) or as a member of the Selected Marine Corps Reserve (SMCR).

g. A resignation of my commission submitted prior to completion of this eight (8) year period will normally be rejected and, after this period, may be accepted or rejected by the President, as the needs of the service may then require.

h. Subsequent to acceptance of appointment to commissioned grade, I will be continued on, or assigned to inactive duty pending satisfactory completion of the requirements for admission to the bar of a federal court or of the highest court of the state, or District of Columbia, unless I:

(1) Fail to maintain the academic standards prescribed by the academic institution I am attending for completion of requirements for a law degree; or

(2) Fail to complete the requirements for a law degree within the standard period of time for a full-time student required by the academic institution I am attending; or

(3) Fail to take the first scheduled bar examination within the state of my choice (or District of Columbia), after my receipt of a law degree or, in the event I fail the first, the second such scheduled bar examination; or

LAST NAME, FIRST AND MIDDLE INITIAL OF APPLICANT

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- (4) Fail the second such bar examination; or
- (5) Fail to qualify for admission to practice law before the bar of a federal court or the highest court of a state (or District of Columbia) after passing the bar examination.

(6) Notwithstanding any of the above, if I desire to be assigned active duty pending the results of the bar examination, I may so request. Should I then fail the bar examination, my contract will be changed to **PLC Ground** and I will be assigned as an unrestricted ground Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) 8001. If, during authorized leave and at my own expense I subsequently take and pass a bar examination, I can apply for designation as a Student Judge Advocate (SJA) (4401) upon the approval from CMC and the Judge Advocate General of the Navy.

i. Upon successful completion of OCS and acceptance of appointment to commissioned grade, I will be assigned a primary MOS of Student Judge Advocate (4401) and further be assigned to The Basic School (TBS) for commissioned officer training.

j. Upon successful completion of TBS, I will be further assigned to the first available Basic Lawyer Course at Naval Justice School.

k. Upon graduation from the Naval Justice School, I will be assigned a primary MOS of Judge Advocate (4402). Having been found qualified under pertinent statutes and regulations, I will be granted one (1) year constructive service for each year of law school completed prior to being commissioned for the purpose of determining my lineal position, grade, and eligibility for promotion. Such constructive service shall not exceed three (3) years.

2. I consent to serve on extended active duty for a minimum of thirty-six (36) months as a commissioned officer from completion of MOS school. I understand that a request for release from active duty prior to completion of this period will normally be rejected.

a. I understand that participation in any Marine Corps Financial Assistance Programs or incentive programs may incur additional obligated active duty service.

b. United States Code, Title 10, Chapter 39, Sections 671a and 671b currently provide as follows:

(1) 671a. Members: service extension during war. Unless terminated at an earlier date by the Secretary concerned, the period of active service of any member of an armed force is extended for the duration of any war in which the United States may be engaged and for six months thereafter.

(2) 671b. Members: service extension when Congress is not in session.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when the President determines that the national interest so requires, he may, if Congress is not in session, having adjourned sine die, authorize the Secretary of Defense to extend for not more than six months enlistment, appointments, periods of active duty, periods of active duty for training, periods of obligated service, or other military status, in any component of the armed forces, that expire before the thirtieth day after Congress next convenes or reconvenes.

(b) An extension under this section continues until the sixtieth day after Congress next convenes or reconvenes or until the expiration of the period of extension specified by the Secretary of Defense, whichever occurs earlier, unless sooner terminated by law or Executive order.

c. Federal statutes and pertinent regulations applicable to personnel in the USMC may change without notice. Such changes may affect my status as an officer candidate or commissioned officer and obligations to serve as such.

3. I certify that I have read and completely understand the meaning and content of the above. No promises, either written or oral, have been made to me in connection with my application for enrollment in the **PLC LAW** program except as specified above. I acknowledge receipt of a copy of this document.

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*Signature of Witnessing Officer*

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*Signature of Applicant*

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*Full Name and Grade of Witness*

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*Full Name of Applicant*

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Date

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