Have you ever been charged with a violation of law or sued for any activity related to your farming operation?

- Yes
- No

If so, explain: ____________________________

______________________________________

What do you produce on your farm? (check all that apply)

- Dairy
- Beef
- Poultry
- Pork
- Lamb
- Row Crops
- Fruits
- Herbs
- Vegetables
- Baked Goods
- Sweeteners
- Eggs
- Lacto-Fermented Foods /Beverages
- Other (specify): _______________________

Does your farm have a current license by the state?

- Yes
- No

If yes, what is it for: ________________________

______________________________________

Indicate types and number of livestock on your farm.

Cattle: _______ Poultry: _______

Swine: _______ Sheep: _______

Goat: _______

Other (specify): ________________________

How many acres do you farm? ______________

Do you engage in non-toxic methods of farming?

- Yes
- No

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**For Farmers and Consumers**

**Defending the Right to Buy and Protecting the Right to Sell**

**Nutritious Food Directly from the Farm**

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The Farm-to-Consumer Legal Defense Fund is a non-profit organization made up of farmers, consumers and affiliate groups joining together and pooling resources to:

- Protect the constitutional right of the nation’s family farms to provide processed and unprocessed farm foods directly to consumers through any legal means.
- Protect the constitutional right of consumers to obtain unprocessed and processed farm foods directly from family farms.
- Protect the nation’s family farms from harassment by federal, state, and local government interference with food production and on-farm food processing.

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**OUR MEMBERS**

**FARMERS** who engage in grass-based, non-toxic, sustainable farming methods

**CONSUMERS** who engage in commerce with these farmers

**AFFILIATE GROUPS** that promote or engage in direct-to-consumer sales such as advocacy associations, farmer’s markets, CSAs, buying clubs, food co-ops and share operations

* To become an Affiliate Member, apply online or call 703-208-FARM(3276) for details.
FARM-TO-CONSUMER LEGAL DEFENSE FUND MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Title:  
Mr.  
Mrs.  
Ms.  
Miss  
Mr. & Mrs.  
Other: 

Last Name:  
First Name:  
MI: 

Farm or Organization:  

Address:  
City:  
State:  
ZIP Code:  

Home Phone:  
Cell Phone:  
Email:  

Check One:  
I am a Farmer  
I am a Consumer  

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

By signing this application, I certify, under penalty of law that the information presented on this application, to the best of my knowledge, is true, accurate and complete and that I am not an employee of any governmental agency, or if I am, I will not use any of the information obtained or derived from the Fund for enforcement or administrative purposes against the Fund or any of its members.

Signature:  
Date:  

ECO-FRIENDLY OPTIONS

Save a stamp and send my welcome letter and membership card via email.  
Save a tree, I’ll look up the membership handbook on line if I need it.  
I’ll pass on the refrigerator magnet.  

Farmers only – Do not send the Raw Milk Production Handbook.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES

$50 - Consumer Membership  
$125 - Farmer Membership  

Check or money order payable to FTCLDF  

I want to auto-renew to prevent a lapse in membership. (credit card only)

Card No.  
Name on card:  
Exp. Date: /  
3 Digit Security Code:  
Signature:  
Today’s Date:  

DISCLAIMERS

FTCLDF reserves the right not to approve any membership application and the right to revoke membership for cause, including but not limited to the misrepresentation of any information. If your application cannot be approved, we will return your payment along with a letter of explanation. FTCLDF does not provide legal representation for members in matters involving personal liability where those matters are unrelated to FTCLDF’s mission statement. Consistent with the Internal Revenue Service regulations, FTCLDF cannot guarantee representation in every case and reserves the right to refuse or limit the scope of its representation in all cases. Membership fees paid to FTCLDF are not tax deductible as charitable contributions. Consult with your tax advisor or attorney to determine whether membership fees paid to FTCLDF may be deductible as a business expense.

Send your application and payment to:  
Farm-to-Consumer Legal Defense Fund  
8116 Arlington Blvd., #263, Falls Church, VA 22042  
We cannot accept faxed applications.

To apply online, go to www.farmtoconsumer.org  
Payment plans available. If you have any questions please call: 703-208-FARM(3276)

PROTECTING

Sustainable Family Farms  
Consumer Choice  
Access to Raw Milk  
On-farm Processing  
Direct-to-Consumer Distribution

FIGHTING

National Animal ID System (NAIS)  
Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs)  
Restrictions on Direct Sales

OUR SERVICES

LEGAL REPRESENTATION

Members can request legal support in situations where their rights are in question.

The Fund also provides access to legal advice at any time of the day or night as needed.

Fund lawyers have experience both working for and challenging government entities, and are familiar with the types of administrative and enforcement actions taken by governments against private citizens, farmers and families.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Services include an educational website, information updates, and a members’ website with access to business and cooperative models as well as a legal clearinghouse.

POLITICAL ACTION SERVICES

The Fund builds grass-roots activism through legislative alerts, petitions, and lobbying for laws and regulations favorable to direct-to-consumer distribution, raw dairy, on-farm processing, grass-based livestock operations, and sustainable vegetable & crop production.

The Fund pays particular attention to the effects of unnecessary and burdensome regulations and restrictions on small farmers and local producers.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Membership in the Fund provides farmers, consumers and affiliate groups with:

LEGAL DEFENSE

Potential legal representation to defend distribution of raw milk and other farm products directly to the consumer.

SECURITY

Our 24-hour hotline for legal emergencies any time of day or night.

FREEDOM

Participation in direct commerce knowing that lobbying and advocacy are available in the event of government interference.

SOUND ADVICE

Advice on federal, state and local agriculture and health department regulations affecting direct distribution of farm products.

ACCURATE INFORMATION

Access to information on legal and regulatory issues that could affect your right to provide and obtain nutritious farm products.

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