

# productOps, Inc

# At Will Employment, Confidential Information and Invention Assignment Agreement (the "Agreement")

As a condition of my employment with productOps, a California corporation, its subsidiaries, affiliates, successors or assigns (together, the "Company"), and in consideration of my employment with the Company and my receipt of the compensation hereafter paid to me by Company, I agree to the following:

#### 1. At Will Employment.

I understand and acknowledge that my employment with the Company is for an unspecified duration and constitutes "At Will" employment. I also understand that any representation to the contrary is unauthorized and not valid unless in writing and signed by the President of the Company. Accordingly, I acknowledge that my employment relationship may be terminated at any time, with or without good cause or for any or no cause, at my option or at the option of the Company, with or without notice.

#### 2. Confidential Information.

A. Company Information. I agree at all times during my employment with the Company and thereafter, I shall hold in the strictest confidence, and shall not use, except for the benefit of the Company, nor shall I disclose to any person, firm or corporation without written authorization of the President or the Board of Directors of the Company, any Company Confidential Information. I understand that my unauthorized use or disclosure of Company Confidential Information during my employment will lead to disciplinary action, up to and including immediate termination and legal action by the Company. I understand that "Company Confidential Information" means any non-public information that relates to the actual or anticipated business, research or development of the Company, or to the Company's technical data, application data, trade secrets or know-how, including, but not limited to, research, product plans or other information regarding the Company's products or services and markets therefor, customer lists and customers (including, but not limited to, customers of the Company on which I may call or with which I may become acquainted during the term of my employment), software, developments, inventions, processes, formulas, technology, designs, drawings, engineering, hardware configuration information, marketing, finances and other business information; provided, however Company Confidential Information does not include any of the foregoing items to the extent the same have become publicly known and made generally available through no wrongful act of mine or of others.

**B. Former Employer Information.** I agree that during my employment with the Company, I will not improperly use, disclose, or induce the Company to use any proprietary information or trade secrets of any former or concurrent employer or other person or entity. I further agree that I will not bring onto the premises of the Company or transfer onto the Company's technology systems any unpublished document, proprietary information or trade secrets belonging to any such employer, person or entity unless consented to in writing by both Company and such employer, person or entity.

C. Third Party Information. I recognize that the Company may have received and in the future may receive from third parties associated with the Company, e.g., the Company's customers, suppliers, licensors, licensees, partners, or collaborators ("Associated Third Parties") their confidential or proprietary information ("Associated Third Party Confidential Information"). By way of example, Associated Third Party Confidential Information may include the habits or practices of Associated Third Parties, the technology of Associated Third Parties, requirements of Associated Third Parties, and information related to the business conducted between the Company and such Associated Third Parties. I agree at all times during my employment with the Company and thereafter, to hold in the strictest confidence, and not to use or to disclose to any person, firm or corporation any Associated Third Party Confidential Information, except as necessary in carrying out my work for the Company consistent with the Company's agreement with such Associated Third Parties. I understand that my unauthorized use or disclosure of Associated Third Party Confidential Information during my employment will lead to disciplinary action, up to and including immediate termination and legal action by the Company.



**D. Notice of Immunity from Liability.** An individual shall not be held criminally or civilly liable under any federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that (I) is made (i) in confidence to a federal, state, or local government official, either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney; and (ii) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; or (II) is made in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. An individual who files a lawsuit for retaliation by an employer for reporting a suspected violation of law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney of the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual (i) files any document containing the trade secret under seal; and (ii) does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order.

#### 3. Inventions.

**A. Inventions Retained and Licensed.** I have attached hereto as Exhibit A, a list describing all inventions, discoveries, original works of authorship, developments, improvements, and trade secrets, which were conceived in whole or in part by me prior to my employment with the Company to which I have any right, title or interest, which are subject to California Labor Code Section 2870 attached hereto as Exhibit B, and which relate to the Company's proposed business, products, or research and development ("**Prior Inventions**"); or, if no such list is attached, I represent and warrant that there are no such Prior Inventions. Furthermore, I represent and warrant that the inclusion of any Prior Inventions from Exhibit A of this Agreement will not materially affect my ability to perform all obligations under this Agreement. If, in the course of my employment with the Company, I incorporate (or have incorporated) into or use (or used) any Prior Invention in connection with any product, process, service, technology or other work by or on behalf of Company, I hereby grant to the Company a nonexclusive, royalty-free, fully paid-up, irrevocable, perpetual, worldwide license, with the right to grant and authorize sublicenses, to make, have made, modify, use, import, offer for sale, and sell such Prior Invention as part of or in connection with such product, process, service, technology or other work and to practice any method related thereto.

**B.** Assignment of Inventions. I agree that I will promptly make full written disclosure to the Company, will hold in trust for the sole right and benefit of the Company, and do hereby assign to the Company, or its designee, all my right, title, and interest in and to any and all inventions, original works of authorship, developments, concepts, improvements, designs, discoveries, ideas, trademarks or trade secrets, whether or not patentable or registrable under patent, copyright or similar laws, which I may solely or jointly conceive or develop or reduce to practice, or cause to be conceived or developed or reduced to practice, during the period of time I am in the employ of the Company (including during my off-duty hours), or with the use of Company's equipment, supplies, facilities, or Company Confidential Information, except as provided in **Exhibit A** below (collectively referred to as "**Inventions**"). I further acknowledge that all original works of authorship which are made by me (solely or jointly with others) within the scope of and during the period of my employment with the Company and which are protectable by copyright are "works made for hire," as that term is defined in the United States Copyright Act. I understand and agree that the decision whether or not to commercialize or market any Inventions is within the Company's sole discretion and for the Company's sole benefit and that no royalty or other consideration will be due to me as a result of the Company's efforts to commercialize or market any such Inventions.

**C. Maintenance of Records.** I agree to keep and maintain adequate, current, accurate, and authentic written records of all Inventions made by me (solely or jointly with others) during the term of my employment with the Company. The records will be in the form of notes, sketches, drawings, electronic files, reports, or any other format that may be specified by the Company. The records are and will be available to and remain the sole property of the Company at all times.

D. Patent and Copyright Registrations. I agree to assist the Company, or its designee, at the Company's expense, in every proper way to secure the Company's rights in the Inventions and any rights relating thereto in any and all countries, including the disclosure to the Company of all pertinent information and data with respect thereto, the execution of all applications, specifications, oaths, assignments and all other instruments which the Company shall deem proper or necessary in order to apply for, register, obtain, maintain, defend, and enforce such rights and in order to assign and convey to the Company, its successors, assigns, and nominees the sole and exclusive rights, title and interest in and to such Inventions and any rights relating thereto, and testifying in a suit or other proceeding relating to such Inventions and any rights relating thereto. I further agree that my obligation to execute or cause to be executed, when it is in my power to do so, any such instrument or papers shall continue after the termination of this Agreement. If the Company is unable because of my mental or physical incapacity or for any other reason to secure my signature with respect to any Inventions including, without limitation, to apply for or to pursue any application for any United States or foreign patents or copyright registrations covering such Inventions, then I hereby irrevocably designate and appoint the Company and its duly authorized officers and



agents as my agent and attorney in fact, to act for and in my behalf and stead to execute and file any papers, oaths and to do all other lawfully permitted acts with respect to such Inventions with the same legal force and effect as if executed by me.

**E. Exception to Assignments.** I understand that the provisions of this Agreement requiring assignment of Inventions to the Company do not apply to any invention which qualifies fully under the provisions of California Labor Code Section 2870 (attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a>). Without disclosing any third-party confidential information, I will advise the Company promptly in writing of any inventions that I believe meet the criteria in California Labor Code Section 2870 and not otherwise disclosed on Exhibit A.

#### 4. Conflicting Employment.

**A. Current Obligations.** I agree that during the term of my employment with the Company, I will not engage in or undertake any other employment, occupation, consulting relationship or commitment that is directly related to the business in which the Company is now involved or becomes involved or has plans to become involved, nor will I engage in any other activities that conflict with my obligations to the Company.

**B. Prior Relationships.** Without limiting Section 4.A, I represent that I have no other agreements, relationships or commitments to any other person or entity that conflict (or conflicted) with my obligations to the Company under this Agreement or my ability to become employed and perform the services for which I was hired by the Company. I further agree that if I have signed a confidentiality agreement or similar type of agreement with any former employer or other entity, I am in compliance with and will comply with the terms of any such agreement to the extent that its terms are lawful under applicable law. I represent and warrant that after undertaking a careful search (including searches of my computers, cell phones, electronic devices and documents), I have returned all property and confidential information belonging to all prior employers. Moreover, in the event that the Company or any of its directors, officers, agents, employees, investors, shareholders, administrators, affiliates, divisions, subsidiaries, predecessor or successor corporations, or assigns is sued based on any obligation or agreement to which I am a party or am bound, I agree to fully indemnify the Company, its directors, officers, agents, employees, investors, shareholders, administrators, affiliates, divisions, subsidiaries, predecessor and successor corporations, and assigns for all verdicts, judgments, settlements, and other losses incurred by the Company (the indemnitee) in the event that it is the subject of any legal action resulting from any breach of my obligations under this Agreement, as well as any reasonable attorneys' fees and costs if the plaintiff is the prevailing party in such an action.

#### 5. Returning Company Documents.

Upon separation from employment with the Company or on demand by the Company during my employment, I will immediately deliver to the Company, and will not keep in my possession, recreate or deliver to anyone else, any and all Company property, including, but not limited to, Company Confidential Information, Associated Third Party Confidential Information, as well as all devices and equipment belonging to the Company (including computers, handheld electronic devices, telephone equipment, and other electronic devices), Company credit cards, records, data, notes, notebooks, reports, files, proposals, lists, correspondence, specifications, drawings blueprints, sketches, materials, photographs, charts, all documents and property, and reproductions of any of the aforementioned items that were developed by me pursuant to my employment with the Company, obtained by me in connection with my employment with the Company, or otherwise belonging to the Company, its successors or assigns, including, without limitation, those records maintained pursuant to Section 0. I also consent to an exit interview to confirm my compliance with this Section 5.

#### 6. Termination Certification.

Upon separation from employment with the Company, I agree to immediately sign and deliver to the Company the "Termination Certification" attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u>. I also agree to keep the Company advised of my home and business address for a period of three (3) years after termination of my employment with the Company, so that the Company can contact me regarding my continuing obligations provided by this Agreement.



#### 7. Notification of New Employer.

In the event that I leave the employ of the Company, I hereby grant consent to notification by the Company to my new employer about my obligations under this Agreement.

#### 8. Solicitation of Employees.

I agree that for a period of twelve (12) months immediately following the termination of my relationship with the Company for any reason, whether voluntary or involuntary, with or without cause, I shall not either directly or indirectly solicit any of the Company's employees to leave their employment, or attempt to solicit employees of the Company, either for myself or for any other person or entity.

#### 9. Conflict of Interest Guidelines.

I agree to diligently adhere all to policies of the Company including the Company's insider's trading policies and the Conflict of Interest Guidelines attached as Exhibit D hereto, which may be revised from time to time during my employment.

#### 10. Representations.

I agree to execute any proper oath or verify any proper document required to carry out the terms of this Agreement. I represent that my performance of all the terms of this Agreement will not breach any agreement to keep in confidence proprietary information acquired by me in confidence or in trust prior to my employment by the Company. I hereby represent and warrant that I have not entered into, and I will not enter into, any oral or written agreement in conflict herewith.

#### 11. Audit.

I acknowledge that I have no reasonable expectation of privacy in any computer, technology system, email, handheld device, telephone, or documents that are used to conduct the business of the Company. As such, the Company has the right to audit and search all such items and systems, without further notice to me, to ensure that the Company is licensed to use the software on the Company's devices in compliance with the Company's software licensing policies, to ensure compliance with the Company's policies, and for any other business-related purposes in the Company's sole discretion. I understand that I am not permitted to add any unlicensed, unauthorized or non-compliant applications to the Company's technology systems and that I shall refrain from copying unlicensed software onto the Company's technology systems or using non-licensed software or web sites. I understand that it is my responsibility to comply with the Company's policies governing use of the Company's documents and the internet, email, telephone and technology systems to which I will have access in connection with my employment.

# 12. General Provisions.

A. Governing Law; Consent to Personal Jurisdiction. This Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of California without giving effect to any choice of law rules or principles that may result in the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than California. To the extent that any lawsuit is permitted under this Agreement, I hereby expressly



consent to the personal jurisdiction of the state and federal courts located in California for any lawsuit filed against me by the Company.

- B. Entire Agreement. This Agreement, together with the Exhibits herein, sets forth the entire agreement and understanding between the Company and me relating to the subject matter herein and supersedes all prior discussions or representations between us including, but not limited to, any representations made during my interview(s) or relocation negotiations, whether written or oral. No modification of or amendment to this Agreement, nor any waiver of any rights under this Agreement, will be effective unless in writing signed by the President of the Company and me. Any subsequent change or changes in my duties, salary or compensation will not affect the validity or scope of this Agreement.
- **C. Severability.** If one or more of the provisions in this Agreement are deemed void by law, then the remaining provisions will continue in full force and effect.
- **D.** Successors and Assigns. This Agreement will be binding upon my heirs, executors, assigns, administrators and other legal representatives and will be for the benefit of the Company, its successors, and its assigns. There are no intended third party beneficiaries to this Agreement except as expressly stated.
- **E. Waiver.** Waiver by the Company of a breach of any provision of this Agreement will not operate as a waiver of any other or subsequent breach.
- **F. Survivorship.** The rights and obligations of the parties to this Agreement will survive termination of my employment with the Company.
- **G. Signatures**. This Agreement may be signed in two counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, with the same force and effectiveness as though executed in a single document.

Date:	
	Signature
	Name of Employee (typed or printed)

Signature page to productOps, Inc.
At Will Employment, Confidential Information and Invention Assignment Agreement

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Identifying Number or Brief

# Exhibit A

# LIST OF PRIOR INVENTIONS AND ORIGINAL WORKS OF AUTHORSHIP

Title	Date	Description
No inventions or improvements		
Additional Sheets Attached		
Signature of Employee:		
Print Name of Employee:		
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# Exhibit B

# CALIFORNIA LABOR CODE SECTION 2870 INVENTION ON OWN TIME-EXEMPTION FROM AGREEMENT

- "(a) Any provision in an employment agreement which provides that an employee shall assign, or offer to assign, any of his or her rights in an invention to his or her employer shall not apply to an invention that the employee developed entirely on his or her own time without using the employer's equipment, supplies, facilities, or trade secret information except for those inventions that either:
- (1) Relate at the time of conception or reduction to practice of the invention to the employer's business, or actual or demonstrably anticipated research or development of the employer; or
  - (2) Result from any work performed by the employee for the employer.
- (b) To the extent a provision in an employment agreement purports to require an employee to assign an invention otherwise excluded from being required to be assigned under subdivision (a), the provision is against the public policy of this state and is unenforceable."



# Exhibit C

# PRODUCTOPS, INC.

#### **TERMINATION CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that I do not have in my possession, nor have I failed to return, any devices, records, data, notes, reports, proposals, lists, correspondence, specifications, drawings, blueprints, sketches, materials, equipment, other documents or property, or reproductions of any aforementioned items belonging to productOps, Inc., its subsidiaries, affiliates, successors or assigns (together, the "Company").

I further certify that I have complied with all the terms of the Company's At Will Employment, Confidential Information and Invention Assignment Agreement signed by me, including the reporting of any inventions and original works of authorship (as defined therein), conceived or made by me (solely or jointly with others) covered by that agreement.

I further agree that, in compliance with the At Will Employment, Confidential Information and Invention Assignment Agreement, I will preserve as confidential all Company Confidential Information and Associated Third Party Confidential Information including trade secrets, confidential knowledge, data or other proprietary information relating to products, processes, know-how, designs, formulas, developmental or experimental work, computer programs, data bases, other original works of authorship, customer lists, business plans, financial information or other subject matter pertaining to any business of the Company or any of its employees, clients, consultants or licensees.

I also agree that for twelve (12) months from this date, I will not either directly or indirectly solicit, induce, recruit or encourage any of the Company's employees to leave their employment, or to enter into an employment, consulting, contractor, or other relationship with any other person, firm, business entity, or organization (including with myself).

After leaving the Company's employment, I will be employed by		in the position of:
	Signature of employee	
	Print name	
	Date	
Address for Notifications:		



# Exhibit D

# PRODUCTOPS, INC.

#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST GUIDELINES**

It is the policy of productOps, Inc. to conduct its affairs in strict compliance with the letter and spirit of the law and to adhere to the highest principles of business ethics. Accordingly, all officers, employees and independent contractors must avoid activities which are in conflict, or give the appearance of being in conflict, with these principles and with the interests of the Company. The following are potentially compromising situations which must be avoided. Any exceptions must be reported to the President and written approval for continuation must be obtained.

- 1. Revealing confidential information to outsiders or misusing confidential information. Unauthorized divulging of information is a violation of this policy whether or not for personal gain and whether or not harm to the Company is intended. (The At Will Employment, Confidential Information and Invention Assignment Agreement elaborates on this principle and is a binding agreement.)
- 2. Accepting or offering substantial gifts, excessive entertainment, favors or payments which may be deemed to constitute undue influence or otherwise be improper or embarrassing to the Company.
- 3. Participating in civic or professional organizations that might involve divulging confidential information of the Company.
- 4. Initiating or approving personnel actions affecting reward or punishment of employees or applicants where there is a family relationship or is or appears to be a personal or social involvement.
- 5. Initiating or approving any form of personal or social harassment of employees.
- 6. Investing or holding outside directorship in suppliers, customers, or competing companies, including financial speculations, where such investment or directorship might influence in any manner a decision or course of action of the Company.
- 7. Borrowing from or lending to employees, customers or suppliers.
- 8. Acquiring real estate of interest to the Company.
- 9. Improperly using or disclosing to the Company any proprietary information or trade secrets of any former or concurrent employer or other person or entity with whom obligations of confidentiality exist.
- 10. Unlawfully discussing prices, costs, customers, sales or markets with competing companies or their employees.
- 11. Making any unlawful agreement with distributors with respect to prices.
- 12. Improperly using or authorizing the use of any inventions which are the subject of patent claims of any other person or entity.
- 13. Engaging in any conduct which is not in the best interest of the Company.

Each officer, employee and independent contractor must take every necessary action to ensure compliance with these guidelines and to bring problem areas to the attention of higher management for review. Violations of this conflict of interest policy may result in discharge without warning.