

# *Book Contract*

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This is a contract between \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_) and David Christel (DC) covering all work connected with the book project “\_\_\_\_\_.”

- A. (\_\_\_) shall be the sole author listed on the book unless otherwise agreed upon by both parties. If DC is included as “co-author” or “...in collaboration with David Christel” or “edited by David Christel,” (\_\_\_) shall pay DC a percentage of gross book sales as agreed upon by both parties.
- The percentage of sales is negotiable depending on DC’s specific role in the creation of the book, the number of books initially printed, number of books sold within a specific period of time, subsequent printings, and overseas sales.
  - Also taken into consideration is DC’s participation in book signings, presentations, seminars, and interviews. Travel expenses are negotiable.
  - Bonuses in lieu of royalties will be established as agreed upon by both parties.
- B. DC forfeits all claims to the book, its content, and adjunct products unless otherwise agreed upon in writing between both parties.
- C. Subsequent projects — including additional books, workbooks, study materials, copy for web sites, marketing materials, announcements, copy for digital social networks, TV/radio programs, CDs and DVDs, board games and on-line games — shall be negotiated independent of this project and contract.
- D. DC will assist (\_\_\_) in the organization of book content, provide creative support and original writing, and provide re-written chapters from existing materials as gathered by (\_\_\_).
- Chapters will not be considered complete until signed off by (\_\_\_).
  - (\_\_\_) agrees to provide content materials as reasonably requested by DC.
  - All ideas and concepts formulated by DC in conjunction with the project are to be considered proprietary and become the sole property of (\_\_\_).
  - DC agrees to not take the proprietary concepts and content included in this project to use for his own purposes or share with another individual for his or her purposes.
  - Both parties agree to provide turnarounds as quickly as possible on materials presented by the other party. Agreed upon timelines are to be met as responsibly as possible.

- E. DC will research published graphics, e.g., illustrations, schematics, charts, cartoons, logos, etc., as needed to attain print ready art, as well as endeavor to attain permissions for said graphics.
- F. DC will attain quotes and permissions to support content as appropriate.
- G. Design of the book's interior (including front and back matter) and layout using InDesign, will be negotiated as a separate fee outside of this contract.
- H. DC will design graphics required for the interior depending on simplicity. Complex graphics will need to be implemented by a professional graphic artist.
- I. DC will not design the book's cover or jacket, which should be left to a professional graphic designer.
- J. DC will work with (\_\_\_) to attain endorsements, testimonials, quotes, and the book's foreword and/or introduction as appropriate.
- K. DC will help attain copyrights, trademarks, bar codes, and ISBNs. (\_\_\_) will be liable for all costs for said items.
- L. DC will assist in the process of attaining an agent for (\_\_\_).
- M. DC will not attain a publisher for (\_\_\_), but will assist (\_\_\_) in reviewing interested publishers as presented by an agent.
- N. The writing and design of any workbook, PowerPoint presentation, speech/keynote presentation, video script, and/or workshop/seminar requested of DC by (\_\_\_) shall be negotiated independent of this contract.
- O. DC will not design and implement a website, e-book or an app, which should be left to professionals in those areas. DC will provide appropriate materials for any of the above and will assist in the engagement of any of these professionals.
- P. Any royalties from sales of the book and/or adjunct products shall be the sole claim of (\_\_\_) unless otherwise agreed upon by both parties (See item A above). DC forfeits all claims unless otherwise agreed upon in writing by both parties.
- Q. Monies received by DC shall only extend to payment for original and re-written chapters unless otherwise agreed upon in writing between both parties.
- (\_\_\_) shall pay DC a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_K to be paid in installments of \$\_\_\_\_\_ over a period of \_\_\_ months or as agreed upon by both parties.
  - The first installment shall be paid DC upon commencement of the project and signing of this contract.
  - Subsequent installment payments will occur as agreed between both parties.
  - Further work requested by (\_\_\_) of DC beyond the completion of the manuscript (i.e., back matter: bibliography, appendices, resource list, etc.) shall be negotiated including payment for services to be rendered as agreed upon by

both parties. Book proposals shall be negotiated separately. DC will create an index as requested using the TExtract program.

- R. (\_\_\_) and DC, respectively, have the right to withdraw from the project at any time.
- DC shall be paid in accordance with the number of chapters completed.
  - All materials created by DC in conjunction with the project shall be delivered to (\_\_\_) (including paper-based and electronic) upon completion or ending of the project.
- S. DC shall not be held liable for the success or failure of this project. He will strive to provide the highest level of writing, creativity, depth, and expertise to the best of his ability in all facets of book production.
- T. This contract shall be amended upon agreement between (\_\_\_) and DC.
- U. Any work arranged for friends/colleagues of (\_\_\_) shall be negotiated independent of this contract at DC's current hourly rate or agreed upon fee.

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(Author's name)

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David Christel

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