

# Farm-to-Consumer Legal Defense Fund®

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"We have done important things now that will only be understood and appreciated by our great grandchildren."

— Mark McAfee, California

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#### ROUTINE legal issues.....

"I wanted to also thank you for the wonderful service when I called last week. I don't think I can express in words how...comforting it was to have someone, at the ring of the phone, to help us when we were not sure what to do. THANK YOU so much for what you do. WELL worth the cost of membership, I must say."

– Farmer Member

#### • URGENT legal issues...

"One of our restaurants got written up by the city health inspector for a critical violation: using eggs from an unapproved source. The chef called me to give me the particulars. I can't even put into words — and that's going some for me — what it means to be able to calmly take down the information and then say: "I'll call FTCLDF and have our attorney deal with it." Even as it was, I was shaking when I hung up the phone. Obviously, if our eggs are unapproved for that restaurant, they are unapproved for ALL restaurants.

The point is that as the pushback strengthens, FTCLDF gives farmers like me some breathing room. And that value is incalculable. EVERY SINGLE farmer who direct markets should be a member of FTCLDF."

- Farmer Member, Joel Salatin, Polyface Farm, Virginia

#### and....EMERGENCY legal issues.

"I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to you, Gary and Pete for the quick response, diligent work and support you gave me during the recent Stop Order crisis. When I joined the FTCLDF I never ever thought I could place a call to your emergency line from the farmer's market ON A WEEKEND. In less than thirty seconds there was Pete Kennedy calling me back.

Pete was able to talk me through the immediate situation and I am certain he is part therapist with his calm and assuring approach. Pete and Gary Cox worked to resolve the situation and have the Stop Order lifted — and the Dept. of Agriculture admit they had made an error!!! The money I spent on joining was the best money I have ever spent in a lifetime!"

Now that it is all over I can breathe a sigh of relief but I certainly want all of you to know how appreciated you are by me! You will be seeing my dues yearly as long as I am in the milk business!!! Thank you,

– Farmer Member, Florida

### > REPRESENT farmers in court at no cost beyond the annual membership fee.

"The State case is still going on and the Fund is doing everything in that case, they are doing all the work, and we have not experienced any legal expenses. We pay a nominal fee once a year and that gets us unlimited time with the counsel, and we can call them up virtually anytime. It's a great organization to be part of.

Between the FTCLDF and the WAPF local chapter when we were going through this ordeal, there is really no other word for it, it really became an ordeal, they were the best support team, they were able to carry us through, with the light at the end of the tunnel. It was phenomenal we wouldn't have been able to do it without them. It was so hard on the family, it drained us. It nearly stole Christmas."

- Farmer Members, Armand and Teddi Bechard, Missouri

#### > RALLY the real food community into focused action. " Just a note to thank you for all your hard work on the raw milk issue. I'm only one lady out here in Marin County, CA tracking this issue and responding to the alerts and calls for action. This issue has ignited the activist in me and set me out on a course of justice seeking I never imagined." -DJH"Thank you, Thank you, Thank you for taking this fight to them. My state legislators are deaf and blind to this issue, do not want to even address it. Hopefully it will be dealt with at the federal level. God speed." – Consumer Member > TEACH farmers new ways to get products directly to consumers. "I've been browsing the site and can't begin to tell you how wonderful this resource is! We are so appreciative!" - Goat Share Operator "I'm really enjoying my membership already. In addition to being able to study the sample documents, I've had a very rewarding conversation with Pete Kennedy, who was able to offer constructive insights into the options I have going forward. I look forward to caring for cows on the ground soon." - Cow Share Operator "What is more important to me is what you and what the FTCLDF and the Weston A. Price Foundation have done to put someone like me in a position of knowledge. I'm sure you know that you have opened a huge door to the future of agriculture and dairy farming; a future that holds great promise."

Protect Your Farmer. Protect Your Food. Join the Fund.

"It's the best cause I ever gave to."

- Consumer Member

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