

SIDELETTER NO. 27

As of July 1, 2005

J. Nicholas Counter III  
President  
Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers  
15503 Ventura Blvd.  
Encino, CA 91436

**Re:     Possessive Credit**

Dear Nick:

Reference is made to Paragraph 8-104 of the Directors Guild of America Basic Agreement of 2005 ("BA").

1.       Notwithstanding the provisions of BA §8-104, no possessive credit in any form may be accorded to a Director on his or her first feature film, unless the Director was responsible for bringing to the Employer the literary property upon which the film is based and the Director performed substantial services in development of the property. Employer reaffirms that there are no conflicting provisions in any other collective bargaining agreements which prevent or limit the negotiation and according of possessive credits to Directors.
2.       The following sentence in BA §8-203(d) is deleted: "If the advertisement contains six (6) or more personal credits (or mentions), the Director shall also be accorded an additional credit above the title in the form 'A Film By' which shall not be smaller in size of type than the 'Directed By' credit."
3.       The DGA may terminate this Sideletter at any time upon ninety (90) days written notice.

Sincerely,

Jay D. Roth  
National Executive Director

Agreed:

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J. Nicholas Counter III