

**CONSENT FOR [Your Church Name] TO PROVIDE REFERENCE**

I \_\_\_\_\_ request, consent to and hereby authorize **[Your Church Name]** my former employer, and its agents and employees, to furnish any reference information concerning me including achievement, wage history, performance, attendance, personal history, disciplinary information and reason for separation of employment, relating to my employment with **[Your Church Name]**. I further request that **[Your Church Name]** provide any information (including opinions) regarding my character and fitness for employment. It is expressly understood that any information given is to be used for the purpose of determining my acceptability for employment. In consideration for **[Your Church Name]** providing this employment reference I hereby release **[Your Church Name]**, and its agents and employees, from all liability for damages or claims, including but not limited to claims of defamation, libel, slander, interference with contract, or prospective economic advantage and negligence, I have or may have which arise or result from any reference information provided pursuant to this authorization or any attempts to comply with this authorization.

**I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE AND KNOW THE CONTENTS THEREOF AND I SIGN THIS RELEASE AS MY OWN FREE ACT.**

This is a legally binding release, which I have read and understand. I understand that I may consult with an attorney before signing this document. A facsimile or photocopy of this authorization shall be as valid as the original.

Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me  
This \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

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Notary Public