

Student Name: _____ ID: _____

VERIFICATION OF DEPENDENCY STATUS (Orphan / Foster Care / Ward of Court)

INSTRUCTIONS: You filed your financial aid application (FAFSA) as an independent student based on the fact that you are an orphan, in foster care, or a ward of court. Complete and submit this form with all required documentation to the Student Service Center for processing. **Be sure to attach all required documentation.**

1. At any time since you turned age 13, were both your parents deceased? Answer yes if at any time since you turned age 13 you had no living parent (biological or adoptive), even if you are now adopted. YES NO

If yes, submit a copy of your parents' death certificates.

2. At any time since you turned age 13, were you a dependent or ward of the court? Answer yes if at any time since you turned age 13 you were a dependent or ward of the court, even if you are no longer a dependent or ward of the court today. For federal student aid purposes, someone who is incarcerated is not considered a ward of the court. YES NO

If yes, submit a copy of the court documentation or a certification statement from a social worker.

3. At any time since you turned age 13, were you placed in foster care? Answer yes if at any time since you turned age 13 you were in foster care, even if you are no longer in foster care today. YES NO

If yes, submit a copy of the court documentation or a certification statement from a social worker.

4. Did you answer 'NO' to questions 1, 2, and 3 above? YES NO

If yes, then you may be required to report parental information on your FAFSA application. Contact the Student Service Center for further assistance. You can correct your FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov or submit our 'Worksheet – Parent Information Required' form available at http://www.canton.edu/fin_aid/forms.html to add parental information to your FAFSA.

5. Statement of Certification: I certify that all of the information reported on this worksheet is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I will follow through on any documentation requested. *Warning: If you purposely give false or misleading information you may be fined, sentenced to jail or both.*

Student Signature

Date

OFFICE USE ONLY:

- Approved
 Denied (Parental information required)

Initials: _____