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2020-2021 Request for Independent Status

Occasionally, due to extraordinary circumstances, students cannot obtain parental information. If you cannot provide this for some unusual reason, you may petition for a waiver of federal regulations requiring parental information. In your petition you should answer each of the following items:

1. Identify the location of your biological father. Describe the last time you had contact – when, where, and the nature of the contact.
2. Identify the location of your biological mother. Describe the last time you had contact – when, where, and the nature of the contact.
3. Explain why you cannot obtain parental information.
4. Provide statements from two responsible adults who are aware of your situation and can corroborate the facts you present for both biological parents. Examples of such persons would include clergy, social workers or other social service personnel, court officials (or copies of court documents), teachers or high school counselors. At least one statement must be from someone who is not a relative or friend, and the letter should be on company letterhead.

Certify below:

I have attached statements from the following persons (please list their information below):

Name	Name
Address	Address
Job Title	Job Title
Relationship to you	Relationship to you

A committee will review your request and our office will notify you in writing regarding their decision.
Appeal decisions are final and not subject to further review. Before submitting, please make sure you have provided complete information.

STOP: Did you fully complete this form, including attachments?

NOTE: If we have reason to believe the information reported is inaccurate, we may require additional documentation.

By signing, I certify that all of the information reported is complete and correct. **WARNING: if you purposely give false or misleading information you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.**

Student Signature

Date

Local Phone Number