



## *Non-custodial Parent Waiver Petition*

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Financial information is required from either biological or adoptive parents to determine a student's financial aid award. Wesleyan University recognizes that extenuating circumstances in individual cases may make it impossible to obtain information from a non-custodial parent. If the non-custodial parent's whereabouts are unknown, if there has been extremely limited or no contact with the non-custodial parent for a significant period of time, or if there are other extenuating circumstances, the collection of non-custodial financial information may be waived. By completing this form, you are petitioning that an exception be made to the requirement of financial information from your noncustodial parent. **Exceptions are rare and only occur when exceptional circumstances exist, such as orders of protection.**

**Note: Unwillingness of a noncustodial parent to contribute financially is not a sufficient reason to file this petition.**

### Noncustodial Parent Information

*If any of the information that we are asking for is not known, please indicate "unknown" in the appropriate blank(s).*

Noncustodial Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital status of your biological/adoptive parents: DIVORCED/SEPARATED/NEVER MARRIED Year of divorce/separation: \_\_\_\_\_

Has your noncustodial parent ever claimed you as a dependent on a federal tax return? **Y N**  
If yes, indicate the most recent tax year that this occurred \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had contact with your noncustodial parent in the past year? **Y N**  
If no, indicate the last time you had contact with him/her: \_\_\_\_\_

What was the nature of the contact (letter, visit, phone call, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any legal orders that limit your noncustodial parent's contact with you? **Y N**  
If yes, please attach documentation (i.e., restraining order, police report, or divorce decree).

### Child Support Information

Did your noncustodial parent pay child support:

in 2015? **Y N**

in 2016? **Y N**

If **yes**, indicate the total amount paid in 2015 for you: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If **yes**, the total amount paid in 2016 for you: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

for other children: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

for other children: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If **no** child support was paid in the last two years, indicate the last year that child support was paid: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Provide any additional information below that would help us to better understand the circumstances that you believe make it appropriate for us not to require any financial information or contribution from your noncustodial parent. Be sure to provide as much detail as possible and attach additional pages if necessary. You must also attach any applicable documentation to substantiate or expand upon your situation.
2. Attach a statement from a third party (other than your attorney or immediate family members) that verifies the amount of contact that you have with your noncustodial parent. The person writing this statement should have long-term knowledge of your family situation. Typically, these letters come from counselors, ministers, and other professionals close to a student's situation.

I certify that all the information provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Custodial Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Office of Financial Aid will review all information submitted and notify you of its decision within a reasonable period from the time of submission.**

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Committee Review Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved Denied Initials: \_\_\_\_\_