Noncustodial Parent Waiver Petition

Student Name: _____

Wes or Applicant ID: _____

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 is unknown, please indicate "unknown" in the appropriate space.

Noncustodial Parent Name: _____ **Occupation:** _____

Address: _____

_____ **Telephone**: _____

Marital status of your biological/adoptive parent: ☐ Divorced ☐ Separated ☐ Never Married

Year of divorce or separation: _____

Has your noncustodial parent ever claimed you as a dependent on a federal tax return?   Y N

If yes, indicate the most recent year this occurred: _____

Have you had contact with your noncustodial parent in the past year?   Y N

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

If no, indicated the last time you had contact: _____

Are there any legal orders that limit your noncustodial parents contact with you?   Y N

If yes, please attach documentation (i.e. restraining order, police report, divorce decree, etc.).

Child Support Information

Did your noncustodial parent pay child support in 2016?   Y N   2017?   Y N

If yes, indicate the total amount paid in 2016 for you: _____ for other children: _____

If yes, indicate the total amount paid in 2017 for you: _____ for other children: _____

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

Personal Statement

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 may also attach any applicable documentation to substantiate or expand upon your situation or as required from page one.
2. Attach a statement from a third party individual such as a counselor or doctor that can verify the amount of contact you have with your noncustodial parent. Immediate family members or legal counsel are not permitted to provide the third party statement.

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

Internal Use Only

Committee Review Date: _____ Approved   Denied _____ Initials: _____