SELECTIVE SERVICE APPEAL FORM

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Name: _____ **Student ID#:** _____ **Date:** _____

(***Please Print***)

With a few exceptions, all male U.S. citizens are regardless of where they live, and male immigrant aliens, residing the U.S., are required to be registered with Selective Service if they are at least 18 years old but are not yet 26 years old. Men who are 26 years of age and older are beyond the age of registering for Selective Service.

According to law, a man must register with Selective Service within 30 days of his 18th birthday. Selective Service will accept late registrations but not after a man has reached age 26. Some men who failed to register during the time they were required to do so and may now find they are ineligible for certain benefits such as financial aid.

Men born from March 29, 1957 to December 31, 1959 were not required to register because the registration program was not in operation at the time they turned 18. The requirement to register was reinstated in 1980 and applies to all men born on or after January 1, 1960.

If you feel that you are exempt from this requirement, please provide a signed statement explaining your circumstances. You must also provide supporting documentation.

Exempt from registration:

You may be exempt from the requirement to register if you meet one of the following conditions:

☐ males currently in the armed services and on active duty (this exception does not apply to members of the Reserve and National Guard who are not on active duty);

☐ males who served on active duty in the armed services - Must provide DD 214: Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty showing military service in the armed forces - other than the reserve forces, the Delayed Entry Pool and the National Guard.

☐ citizens of the Republic of Palau, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the Federated States of Micronesia*;

☐ non-citizens who first entered the U.S. after they turned 26;

☐ non-citizens who entered the U.S. as lawful nonimmigrants on a valid visa and remained in the U.S. on the terms of that visa until after they turned 26;

☐ unable to register due to being hospitalized,

☐ incarcerated, or institutionalized;

☐ enrolled in any officer procurement program at The Citadel, North Georgia College and State University, Norwich University, Virginia Military Institute, Texas A&M University, or Virginia Polytechnic and State University; or

☐ Commissioned Public Health Service officers on active duty or members of the Reserve of the Public Health Service on specified active duty.

If you feel that you are exempt from this requirement, you must explain your situation and provide supporting documentation.

Failure to Register for Selective Service:

The Selective Service will only register males age 18 through 25. However, you may still be eligible to receive aid if you can demonstrate that you did not knowingly and willfully fail to register.

You must contact the Selective Service to get a "Status Information Letter addressing your failure to register. You can download a request form from the Selective Service website (www.sss.gov) to print out, complete, and mail.

After you receive a "Status Information Letter" from Selective Service, you must provide it to the financial aid office, with a complete description about your situation including:

- Where you were living during the period when you should have registered;
- Whether you were incarcerated or institutionalized;
- Your citizenship status during the period, if applicable, and so on;
- Whether you thought you were registered;
- Why you were not aware of the widely publicized requirement to register when you were 18 through 25.

Explain why you failed to register for selective service.

Students without military service who knew of the registration requirement but chose not to register are considered to have knowingly and willfully failed to register and are therefore ineligible for Financial Aid.

You may appeal your failure to register in order to receive Title IV Federal Financial Aid under the following conditions (please check one):

☐ If you are between the ages of 18 and 25, you are required to register with the Selective Service at www.sss.gov.

☐ You served as a member of one of the U.S. Armed Forces on active duty an receive a DD Form 214, " Certification of Release of Discharge from Active Duty" showing military service with the armed forces, other than the reserve forces. , Delayed Entry pool an National Guard and release under a condition other than dishonorable. **– Please attach a copy of your DD Form 214 to this form.**

☐ You are a non-citizen who entered the U.S. after reaching the age of 26, and were therefore unable to register with the Selective Service. **– Please attach a copy of your I-94 or other legal documentation of entrance into the U.S. to this form.**

☐ You are able to demonstrate to Central Piedmont Community College's Financial Aid/VA Office that you did not knowingly or willfully fail to register for Selective Service. **You must provide a Status Information Letter from Selective Service (also known as an Advisory Opinion Letter). The process to receive this letter is initiated by contacting the Selective Service at (847) 688-6888 (this is not a toll free number). You may also go to www.sss.gov and follow the directions to request a "Status Information Letter."**

You must submit a detailed explanation as to why your failure to register was not knowing or willful.

In addition, you should provide any documentation to support your claim.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY AND ATTACH DOCUMETATION TO THIS FORM. YOU MAY ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS TO FULLY EXPLAIN YOUR SITUATION. If you do not attach sufficient documentation, your appeal will be denied.

Please answer the following questions in your appeal statement:

1. **Why did you fail to register with Selective Service when you were between the age of 18 and 24?**
2. **Did you know that you were required to register with Selective Service?**
3. **What were the events or circumstances that contributed to your failure to register?**
4. **When did the circumstances or events occur?**
5. **Where you were living during the period when you should have registered;**
6. **Whether you were incarcerated or institutionalized;**
7. **Your citizenship status during the period, if applicable, and so on;**
8. **Whether you thought you were registered;**
9. **Why you were not aware of the widely publicized requirement to register when you were 18 through 25.**

☐ **I certify that the information I have provided is true and accurate.**

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Warning: According to the U.S. Department of Education, if you purposely give false or misleading information on form, you may be subject to a fine of up to $20,000 or imprisonment

Do not mail any documents to the U.S. Department of Education.
Submit all requested documentation to CPCC's Financial Aid Office by fax (704.330.5053).

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____ **Approved** ____ **Denied**

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Date: _____ **Financial Aid Administrator:** _____

You should make a copy of this worksheet for your records.

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