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**RENEWAL FOR INDEPENDENT STATUS**

The University of Wyoming  
Office of Student Financial Aid  
Department 3335  
1000 East University Avenue  
Laramie, WY 82071

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ W# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ SS# \_\_\_\_\_

Federal regulations define the circumstances in which students are considered financially independent of parental support for their educational costs. These rules are explained in the Free Application for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA) and are listed on the back of this form. If you do not qualify under those rules, the Financial Aid Administrator may consider, under professional judgment, exceptional circumstances, which would allow you to be considered financially independent for purposes of federal financial aid.

I understand that I do not meet the requirements for gaining independent status, but my home situation is such that I believe that neither of my parents should be expected to contribute to my education. I understand that my parent's unwillingness to provide support or my choice not to accept support is an unacceptable reason to make this request. (See the reverse of this form for more information on acceptable reasons.)

\_\_\_\_\_ I have attached a written description of my unique circumstances, which makes me someone who was previously approved as independent and has not or will not be, financially dependent on either of my parents.

I understand this is a request that is subject to the professional judgment of the Financial Aid Office staff. This request may be subject to further documentation and any decision is final.

Please confirm that you still meet the original independent eligibility request by signing and dating this form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Warnings: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this form to help establish eligibility for federal student aid, you may get a \$10,000 fine, a prison sentence, or both. A professional judgment made in a financial aid office applies only to the school where the decision was made. It is NOT automatically transferable to (an) other institution(s).

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