



2016 - 2017

**CERTIFICATION OF DEPENDENCY STATUS**

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

Last

First

Samford ID#

When filing the FAFSA you answered "Yes" to one of the questions in Step Three. These questions deal with your dependency status. Because independent undergraduate status is rare at Samford, we require that you provide legal documentation to support your claim of independency. Below are some examples of possible options for documentation based on the FAFSA questions. This is not an exhaustive list. These are mere examples of what could be utilized.

FAFSA Question	Possible Proof Required
# 53 - Regarding the fact that since age 13 both parents have been deceased	Photocopy of death certificate(s)
# 54 - Regarding the fact that you have been deemed an emancipated minor by a state court	Court documents indicating such status
# 55 - Regarding the fact that you have been in legal guardianship as directed by a state court	Court documents indicating such status
# 56 - Regarding the fact that you have been deemed homeless by a school homeless liaison since July 1, 2015	Official documents indicating such status
# 57 - Regarding the fact that you have been deemed homeless by an emergency shelter or transitional housing program since July 1, 2015	Official documents indicating such status
# 58 - Regarding the fact that you have been deemed an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self supporting and at risk of being homeless since July 1, 2015	Official documents indicating such status

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Signature of Applicant

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Date

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Approved per professional judgment \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_ Reviewed by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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