2016 – 2017: Dependency Override Request

Name: ____________________________________________  CCBC ID: __________________________

Procedures for Extenuating and Unusual Circumstances
On a case-by-case basis, the Financial Aid Office can use professional judgment in determining a student’s dependency status if extenuating and unusual circumstances exist.

PLEASE NOTE: The following are NOT considered extenuating or unusual circumstances as stated by the U.S. Department of Education.

- Parents refuse to contribute to student’s education
- Parents are unwilling to provide information on the FAFSA or for verification
- Parents do not claim the student as a dependent for income tax purposes
- Student demonstrates total self-sufficiency

If you feel your circumstances would allow you to receive financial aid as an Independent student, please submit the following:

- A personal letter describing, in detail, your extenuating and unusual circumstances. Please include the status of your biological mother and father.

- Third party documentation on OFFICIAL letterhead supporting the extenuating and unusual circumstances you have described. Examples of third party documentation include letters from a school counselor, teacher, social worker, clergy, or medical professional; court orders; police reports; elementary or secondary school records indicating guardianship; death certificates; or proof of incarceration of parent.

- Any additional supporting documentation relating to your circumstance.

Certification
I understand that the Financial Aid Administrator (FAA) at the Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC) may change my status to Independent for the purpose of receiving financial aid at CCBC only. I also understand that the judgment of the FAA is FINAL and the decision CANNOT be appealed to anyone including the U.S. Department of Education.

Warning: Each person signing this worksheet certifies all the information reported is complete and accurate. The student must sign and date. If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

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Student’s Signature                  Date