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FRIEND REFERENCE

To the Applicant: Please write clearly or type information in this section and forward the form to the individual making the recommendation.

Name _____

Address _____

Contact _____ (H) _____ (O) _____ (HP)

Programme of Study applying for: _____

I understand that this confidential recommendation is to be used only in consideration of my application to Baptist Theological Seminary. I also give permission to the individual named in this document as a reference, to release his or her personal information or opinions of me to Baptist Theological Seminary. I hereby release and discharge Baptist Theological Seminary, its representatives, and the individual named in this document as a reference from any and all liability of every nature and kind arising out of the furnishing, and use of such personal information and opinions.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

To the Recommender: Thank you for taking the time to give your honest evaluation of this applicant. It will help the Admissions Committee to better understand the applicant's potential qualifications for ministry. If you feel you cannot adequately answer these questions simply sign the form and return to Registrar's Office. You may speak with the Dean or Registrar by calling the number above.

The completed form should be mailed directly the Registrar's Office at the above address. Please feel free to provide additional information, if any, on a separate sheet of paper.

Name of Recommender _____

Position or Title _____

Church _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Signature of Recommender _____ Date _____

Evaluation:

1. How long have you known the applicant? _____

In what capacity? _____

2. What characteristics do you consider to be the greatest strengths or talents of the applicant? _____

3. What characteristics do you consider to be the weaknesses of the applicant? _____

4. How thoroughly do you think the applicant has thought out his/her plans for seminary studies?
- ☐ Very thoroughly; has explored all the possibilities
- ☐ Is uncertain; needs to think through his or her plans more
- ☐ Others, please explain _____
5. Does the applicant seem to have a sincere "divine call" to ministry? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- If yes, to what type or area of ministry do you believe he or she has been called? _____
6. Please evaluate the applicant on the following by checking the appropriate category?

Qualifications	S	A	NI	NO
Knowledge in subject of proposed study				
Overall potential as a candidate for degree specified				
Interpersonal skills				
Leadership ability				
Financial responsibility				
Creativity				
Inquisitiveness and independence				
Intellectual ability				
Oral expression				
Written expression				
Self-confidence				
Sense of humor				
Personal appearance/neatness				
Ability to accomplish tasks				
Ability to work effectively without supervision				
Ability to work well with others				

S=Superior

A=Average

NI=Needs Improvement

NO=Not Observed

7. Does the applicant or spouse use tobacco, alcohol, or any drug? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- If yes, please explain _____
8. Has the applicant or spouse ever been arrested for any reason? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- If yes, please explain. _____
9. Does the applicant have any habits that might hinder him or her from an effective ministry?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain. _____
10. Has the applicant, at present or in the past, exhibited any sexual behaviour that would be unbecoming of a minister? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain.
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