

DUDLEY-CHARLTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION

The Dudley-Charlton Regional School District (the "District") is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The District does not discriminate in hiring or employment on the basis of race, color, religious creed, national origin, gender, ancestry, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability, all as defined by law, or on the basis of membership in any other class protected by federal, state or local law. No question on this Employment Application is intended to secure information to be used for such purpose.

Applicant Name: _____
Last First MI
Residential Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code
Mailing Address: _____
P.O. Box City State Zip Code
Telephone: Days _____ Evenings _____ E-Mail _____

If your address has changed during the past five years, please list previous:

Street City State Zip to
Years
Street City State Zip to
Years

EMPLOYMENT DESIRED

Position: _____
Date Available: _____ Have you ever been employed by DCRSD: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Substitute Teacher: _____ Date Available: _____
(Subjects Preferred)
Preferred Assignments: Please Check Location: ☐ Dudley ☐ Charlton ☐ Both
Please Check Grade Level(s): ☐ Elementary ☐ Middle ☐ High School
Day(s) Available: _____

ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

List below job-related professional, trade, business or civic activities and offices held. Please exclude those memberships which may reveal gender, race, religion, national origin, age, ancestry, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, religious belief, creed or practice or political opinion or affiliations, or other protected status.

**MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY
AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
TEACHER CERTIFICATION**
(Complete only if applicable)

Massachusetts DESE Certification #: _____
Field(s) of Certification: 1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Recertification Date: _____
Grade Level: _____
Grade Level: _____
Grade Level: _____
Grade Level: _____

Type of License: ☐ Provisional/Preliminary ☐ Provisional/Advanced ☐ Standard/Professional
Have you ever had a teaching license revoked or suspended in any Commonwealth or State at any time? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please explain. _____

CORI & FINGERPRINT BACKGROUND CHECKS

Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 71 § 38R requires that all schools obtain both **Criminal Offender Records Information (CORI)** on all applicants for employment and a state and a **national fingerprint-based criminal background check (through SAFIS)**, as authorized by Public Law 92-544, as to the suitability of current and prospective employees who may have direct and unmonitored contact with children, all such to be administered in accordance with 603 CMR 51.00 – 51.07, and in certain instances the District must report to the DESE commissioner information relevant to the fitness for licensure of any holder of, or applicant for, a Massachusetts educator's license. Hiring may be conditioned on a satisfactory CORI and fingerprint checks. Refusal to sign a request form, or to provide further information as to any arrest having no disposition or which is otherwise incomplete and reported on the SAFIS check, will result in not being selected for employment.

I CERTIFY THAT THE RESPONSES MADE BY ME TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND THAT I HAVE WITHHELD NOTHING THAT WOULD, IF DISCLOSED, AFFECT THIS EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION UNFAVORABLY.

I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ THE ABOVE STATEMENTS AND UNDERSTAND THEM.

Applicant Signature: _____ *Date:* _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPLICANT

It is unlawful in Massachusetts to require or administer a lie detector test as a condition of employment or continued employment. An employer who violates this law shall be subject to criminal penalties and civil liabilities.

In the event of employment with the District, I will comply with all rules and regulations as set forth by District policy or other communications distributed to employees, which may be changed at the sole, unilateral discretion of the District, except as otherwise provided by applicable law. Additionally, I authorize the District to supply my employment record in whole or in part, and in confidence, to any prospective employer.

I hereby authorize: (1) the District to conduct a background inquiry to verify the statements and information of this application, other documentation which I have provided, and other areas that may be material to my possible employment, including but not necessarily limited to my present and prior employment, consumer credit, etc.; and (2) my present and/or former employers, educational institutions, references, credit reporting agencies and other persons to disclose to the District any and all information concerning my previous employment and any other pertinent information they may have, and I release all parties from any liability whatsoever resulting from such disclosure.

I agree that, except at the request and for the benefit of the District, I will not disclose to anyone or use for my own purpose any of the District's confidential or proprietary information, either during or after my employment.

I also understand that an offer of employment, if any, would be contingent on my successful completion of any post-offer, pre-employment physical or other medical examination that the District may require relative to my ability to perform the essential functions of the job. I further understand and agree that the District may require me to undergo and successfully pass a screening for alcohol and/or drugs during the hiring process and if employed.

I understand that any offer of employment is conditioned upon the satisfactory completion of the verification process as required by the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 and other applicable laws, if any, as amended from time to time, and that the District will only hire and retain those individuals who are legally authorized to work in the United States and who present acceptable proof of their lawful employment status and identity.

I understand that the receipt and consideration of this application does not imply that I will be employed.

I ALSO CERTIFY THAT ALL ANSWERS GIVEN BY ME ARE TRUE, ACCURATE, AND COMPLETE. I UNDERSTAND THAT I WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION FROM EMPLOYMENT OR IMMEDIATE DISMISSAL IN THE DISTRICT'S SOLE DISCRETION, IF AT ANY TIME THE DISTRICT DISCOVERS ANY MATERIAL FALSIFICATION, OMISSION OR MISREPRESENTATION OF FACT IN THIS APPLICATION.

I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ THE ABOVE STATEMENTS AND UNDERSTAND THEM.

Applicant Signature: _____ *Date:* _____



THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY
Department of Criminal Justice Information Services
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**Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI)
Acknowledgement Form**

To be used by organizations conducting CORI checks for employment, volunteer, subcontractor, licensing, and housing purposes.

DUDLEY-CHARLTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

is registered under the

(Organization)

provisions of M.G.L. c.6, § 172 to receive CORI for the purpose of screening current and otherwise qualified prospective employees, subcontractors, volunteers, license applicants, current licensees, and applicants for the rental or lease of housing.

As a prospective or current employee, subcontractor, volunteer, license applicant, current licensee, or applicant for the rental or lease of housing, I understand that a CORI check will be submitted for my personal information to the DCJIS. I hereby acknowledge and provide permission to DUDLEY-CHARLTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

(Organization)

to submit a CORI check for my information to the DCJIS. This authorization is valid for one year from the date of my signature. I may withdraw this authorization at any time by providing with written notice of my intent to withdraw consent to a CORI check.

FOR EMPLOYMENT, VOLUNTEER, AND LICENSING PURPOSES ONLY:

The DUDLEY-CHARLTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT may conduct
(Organization)

subsequent CORI checks within one year of the date this Form was signed by me, provided, however, that
DUDLEY-CHARLTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT must first provide me
(Organization)

with written notice of this check.

By signing below, I provide my consent to a CORI check and affirm that the information provided on Page 2 of this Acknowledgement Form is true and accurate.

Signature of CORI Subject

Date

Please complete the following:

I am an ☐ Applicant / ☐ Volunteer for: _____



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SUBJECT INFORMATION

Please complete this section using the information of the person whose CORI you are requesting.

The fields marked with an asterisk (*) are required fields.

* First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

* Last Name: _____ Suffix (Jr., Sr., etc.): _____

Former Last Name 1: _____

Former Last Name 2: _____

Former Last Name 3: _____

Former Last Name 4: _____

* Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ Place of Birth: _____

* Last SIX digits of Social Security Number: _____ -- _____ ☐ No Social Security Number

Sex: _____ Height: _____ ft. _____ in. Eye Color: _____ Race: _____

Driver's License or ID Number: _____ State of Issue: _____

Father's Full Name: _____

Mother's Full Name: _____

Current Address

* Street Address: _____

Apt. # or Suite: _____ *City: _____ *State: _____ *Zip: _____

SUBJECT VERIFICATION

The above information was verified by reviewing the following form(s) of government-issued identification:

Verified by:

Print Name of Verifying Employee

Signature of Verifying Employee

Date



DUDLEY-CHARLTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



SAFIS Information (State Applicant Fingerprint Identification System)

In September 2013, Governor Patrick signed into law, Chapter 77 of the Acts of 2013, "An Act Relative to Background Checks." This law expands on what we as public schools already do with Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) checks. It requires a fingerprint-based state and national criminal record check for all school employees, student teachers and substitute teachers.

The State Applicant Fingerprint Identification System (SAFIS) MorphoTrust USA IdentoGo™ has been created for implementing this system. MorphoTrust has opened a new location on April 8, 2022 to collect fingerprints at 28 Town Forest Road – Unit A, Webster, MA 01570.

Newly hired employees must be fingerprinted **prior to the start of employment.**

- ✚ To register:
<http://www.identogo.com/FP/Massachusetts.aspx>
Select Online Scheduling and follow the instructions.
Or by phone at (866) 349-8130
- ✚ You will be required to provide the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District DESE Organization Code (also called Provider ID Number): 06580000. If you are working in one of our schools, please use the following codes which apply to the specific building that you work in:
Shepherd Hill: 06580505
Dudley Middle School: 06580305
Charlton Middle School: 06580310
Dudley Elementary School: 06580005
Heritage School: 06580030
Mason Road School: 06580010
Charlton Elementary School: 06580020
*If you work in multiple buildings, please use the Main Organization Code: 06580000
- ✚ Individuals will pay a fee to comply with this requirement:
\$35 – Non-licensed employees
\$55 – DESE Licensed Professionals
- ✚ Substitute teachers are school employees under the law and, therefore, must submit their fingerprints for the state and national background checks. If a substitute teacher holds an educator license issued under M.G.L. C. 71, §38G, the fee will be \$55. Otherwise, the \$35 fee will apply.
- ✚ When you have completed your fingerprinting, you will be provided with a receipt. You **must return a copy** of this receipt to Cheryl Kozub or Erin Glenn in the Superintendent's Office. This serves as confirmation that fingerprints were captured.
- ✚ For more information please visit:
[SAFIS Program Registration Guide](http://www.malegislature.gov/Laws/SessionLaws/Acts/2013/Chapter77)
<http://www.malegislature.gov/Laws/SessionLaws/Acts/2013/Chapter77>
- ✚ If you have further questions, please contact:
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Erin Glenn, Executive Assistant, eglenn@dcrsd.org



Employment Eligibility Verification
Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

USCIS
Form I-9
OMB No. 1615-0047
Expires 08/31/2019

► **START HERE:** Read instructions carefully before completing this form. The instructions must be available, either in paper or electronically, during completion of this form. Employers are liable for errors in the completion of this form.

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION NOTICE: It is illegal to discriminate against work-authorized individuals. Employers **CANNOT** specify which document(s) an employee may present to establish employment authorization and identity. The refusal to hire or continue to employ an individual because the documentation presented has a future expiration date may also constitute illegal discrimination.

Section 1: Employee Information and Attestation (Employees must complete and sign Section 1 of Form I-9 no later than the first day of employment, but not before accepting a job offer.)

Last Name (Family Name)		First Name (Given Name)		Middle Initial	Other Last Names Used (if any)	
Address (Street Number and Name)			Apt. Number	City or Town		State ZIP Code
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	U.S. Social Security Number [][] - [][] - [][][][]		Employee's E-mail Address		Employee's Telephone Number	

I am aware that federal law provides for imprisonment and/or fines for false statements or use of false documents in connection with the completion of this form.

I attest, under penalty of perjury, that I am (check one of the following boxes):

<input type="checkbox"/> 1. A citizen of the United States
<input type="checkbox"/> 2. A noncitizen national of the United States (See instructions)
<input type="checkbox"/> 3. A lawful permanent resident (Alien Registration Number/USCIS Number): _____
<input type="checkbox"/> 4. An alien authorized to work until (expiration date, if applicable, mm/dd/yyyy): _____ Some aliens may write "N/A" in the expiration date field. (See instructions) Aliens authorized to work must provide only one of the following document numbers to complete Form I-9: An Alien Registration Number/USCIS Number OR Form I-94 Admission Number OR Foreign Passport Number. 1. Alien Registration Number/USCIS Number: _____ OR 2. Form I-94 Admission Number: _____ OR 3. Foreign Passport Number: _____ Country of Issuance: _____

QR Code - Section 1
Do Not Write In This Space

Signature of Employee	Today's Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
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Preparer and/or Translator Certification (check one):
☐ I did not use a preparer or translator. ☐ Preparer(s) and/or translator(s) assisted me in completing Section 1.
(Fields below must be completed and signed when preparer(s) and/or translator(s) assist an employee in completing Section 1.)

I attest, under penalty of perjury, that I have assisted in the completion of Section 1 of this form and that to the best of my knowledge the information is true and correct.

Signature of Preparer or Translator		Today's Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Last Name (Family Name)		First Name (Given Name)	
Address (Street Number and Name)		City or Town	State ZIP Code



Employer Complete Your Part





Employment Eligibility Verification
Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

USCIS
Form I-9
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Section 2 Employer or Authorized Representative Review and Verification

(Employer or authorized representative must complete and sign Section 2 within 3 business days of the employee's first day of employment. You must physically examine one document in List A, OR a combination of one document from List B and one document from List C, each containing the list of acceptable documents.)

Employee Info from Section 1	Last Name (Family Name)	First Name (Given Name)	M.I.	Citizenship/Immigration Status
List A Identity and Employment Authorization	OR	List B Identity	AND	List C Employment Authorization
Document Title	Document Title	Document Title		
Issuing Authority	Issuing Authority	Issuing Authority		
Document Number	Document Number	Document Number		
Expiration Date (if any)(mm/dd/yyyy)	Expiration Date (if any)(mm/dd/yyyy)	Expiration Date (if any)(mm/dd/yyyy)		
Document Title	Additional Information		QR Code - Sections 2 & 3 Do Not Write In This Space	
Issuing Authority				
Document Number				
Expiration Date (if any)(mm/dd/yyyy)				
Document Title				
Issuing Authority				
Document Number				
Expiration Date (if any)(mm/dd/yyyy)				

Certification: I attest, under penalty of perjury, that (1) I have examined the document(s) presented by the above-named employee, (2) the above-listed document(s) appear to be genuine and to relate to the employee named, and (3) to the best of my knowledge the employee is authorized to work in the United States.

The employee's first day of employment (mm/dd/yyyy): _____ (See instructions for exemptions)

Signature of Employer or Authorized Representative	Today's Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Title of Employer or Authorized Representative		
Last Name of Employer or Authorized Representative	First Name of Employer or Authorized Representative	Employer's Business or Organization Name		
Employer's Business or Organization Address (Street Number and Name)		City or Town	State	ZIP Code

Section 3 Reverification and Rehires (to be completed and signed by employer or authorized representative)

A. New Name (if applicable)			B. Date of Rehire (if applicable)	
Last Name (Family Name)	First Name (Given Name)	Middle Initial	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
C. If the employee's previous grant of employment authorization has expired, provide the information for the document or receipt that establishes continuing employment authorization in the space provided below.				
Document Title	Document Number	Expiration Date (if any) (mm/dd/yyyy)		
I attest, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of my knowledge, this employee is authorized to work in the United States, and if the employee presented document(s), the document(s) I have examined appear to be genuine and to relate to the individual.				
Signature of Employer or Authorized Representative	Today's Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Name of Employer or Authorized Representative		

LISTS OF ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS

All documents must be UNEXPIRED

Employees may present one selection from List A
or a combination of one selection from List B and one selection from List C.

LIST A Documents that Establish Both Identity and Employment Authorization	OR	LIST B Documents that Establish Identity	AND	LIST C Documents that Establish Employment Authorization
1. U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport Card		1. Driver's license or ID card issued by a State or outlying possession of the United States provided it contains a photograph or information such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color, and address		1. A Social Security Account Number card, unless the card includes one of the following restrictions: (1) NOT VALID FOR EMPLOYMENT (2) VALID FOR WORK ONLY WITH INS AUTHORIZATION (3) VALID FOR WORK ONLY WITH DHS AUTHORIZATION
2. Permanent Resident Card or Alien Registration Receipt Card (Form I-551)		2. ID card issued by federal, state or local government agencies or entities, provided it contains a photograph or information such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color, and address		2. Certification of report of birth issued by the Department of State (Forms DS-1350, FS-545, FS-240)
3. Foreign passport that contains a temporary I-551 stamp or temporary I-551 printed notation on a machine-readable immigrant visa		3. School ID card with a photograph		3. Original or certified copy of birth certificate issued by a State, county, municipal authority, or territory of the United States bearing an official seal
4. Employment Authorization Document that contains a photograph (Form I-766)		4. Voter's registration card		4. Native American tribal document
5. For a nonimmigrant alien authorized to work for a specific employer because of his or her status: a. Foreign passport; and b. Form I-94 or Form I-94A that has the following: (1) The same name as the passport; and (2) An endorsement of the alien's nonimmigrant status as long as that period of endorsement has not yet expired and the proposed employment is not in conflict with any restrictions or limitations identified on the form.		5. U.S. Military card or draft record		5. U.S. Citizen ID Card (Form I-197)
		6. Military dependent's ID card		6. Identification Card for Use of Resident Citizen in the United States (Form I-179)
		7. U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Card		7. Employment authorization document issued by the Department of Homeland Security
		8. Native American tribal document		
		9. Driver's license issued by a Canadian government authority		
		For persons under age 18 who are unable to present a document listed above:		
		10. School record or report card		
		11. Clinic, doctor, or hospital record		
		12. Day-care or nursery school record		
6. Passport from the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) or the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) with Form I-94 or Form I-94A indicating nonimmigrant admission under the Compact of Free Association Between the United States and the FSM or RMI				

Examples of many of these documents appear in Part 13 of the Handbook for Employers (M-274).

Refer to the instructions for more information about acceptable receipts.

Employee's Withholding Certificate

Complete Form W-4 so that your employer can withhold the correct federal income tax from your pay.

Give Form W-4 to your employer.

Your withholding is subject to review by the IRS.

2023**Step 1:**
Enter
Personal
Information

(a) First name and middle initial	Last name	(b) Social security number
Address		Does your name match the name on your social security card? If not, to ensure you get credit for your earnings, contact SSA at 800-772-1213 or go to www.ssa.gov .
City or town, state, and ZIP code		
(c) <input type="checkbox"/> Single or Married filing separately		
<input type="checkbox"/> Married filing jointly or Qualifying surviving spouse		
<input type="checkbox"/> Head of household (Check only if you're unmarried and pay more than half the costs of keeping up a home for yourself and a qualifying individual.)		

Complete Steps 2–4 ONLY if they apply to you; otherwise, skip to Step 5. See page 2 for more information on each step, who can claim exemption from withholding, other details, and privacy.

Step 2:
Multiple Jobs
or Spouse
Works

Complete this step if you (1) hold more than one job at a time, or (2) are married filing jointly and your spouse also works. The correct amount of withholding depends on income earned from all of these jobs.

Do **only one** of the following.

- (a) Reserved for future use.
- (b) Use the Multiple Jobs Worksheet on page 3 and enter the result in Step 4(c) below; **or**
- (c) If there are only two jobs total, you may check this box. Do the same on Form W-4 for the other job. This option is generally more accurate than (b) if pay at the lower paying job is more than half of the pay at the higher paying job. Otherwise, (b) is more accurate ☐

TIP: If you have self-employment income, see page 2.

Complete Steps 3–4(b) on Form W-4 for only **ONE** of these jobs. Leave those steps blank for the other jobs. (Your withholding will be most accurate if you complete Steps 3–4(b) on the Form W-4 for the highest paying job.)

Step 3: Claim Dependent and Other Credits	If your total income will be \$200,000 or less (\$400,000 or less if married filing jointly):		
	Multiply the number of qualifying children under age 17 by \$2,000 \$ _____		
	Multiply the number of other dependents by \$500 \$ _____		
	Add the amounts above for qualifying children and other dependents. You may add to this the amount of any other credits. Enter the total here	3	\$ _____
Step 4 (optional): Other Adjustments	(a) Other income (not from jobs). If you want tax withheld for other income you expect this year that won't have withholding, enter the amount of other income here. This may include interest, dividends, and retirement income	4(a)	\$ _____
	(b) Deductions. If you expect to claim deductions other than the standard deduction and want to reduce your withholding, use the Deductions Worksheet on page 3 and enter the result here	4(b)	\$ _____
	(c) Extra withholding. Enter any additional tax you want withheld each pay period . .	4(c)	\$ _____

Step 5:
Sign
Here

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that this certificate, to the best of my knowledge and belief, is true, correct, and complete.

Employee's signature (This form is not valid unless you sign it.)

Date

Employers
Only

Employer's name and address	First date of employment	Employer identification number (EIN)
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code.

Future Developments

For the latest information about developments related to Form W-4, such as legislation enacted after it was published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW4.

Purpose of Form

Complete Form W-4 so that your employer can withhold the correct federal income tax from your pay. If too little is withheld, you will generally owe tax when you file your tax return and may owe a penalty. If too much is withheld, you will generally be due a refund. Complete a new Form W-4 when changes to your personal or financial situation would change the entries on the form. For more information on withholding and when you must furnish a new Form W-4, see Pub. 505, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax.

Exemption from withholding. You may claim exemption from withholding for 2023 if you meet both of the following conditions: you had no federal income tax liability in 2022 **and** you expect to have no federal income tax liability in 2023. You had no federal income tax liability in 2022 if (1) your total tax on line 24 on your 2022 Form 1040 or 1040-SR is zero (or less than the sum of lines 27, 28, and 29), or (2) you were not required to file a return because your income was below the filing threshold for your correct filing status. If you claim exemption, you will have no income tax withheld from your paycheck and may owe taxes and penalties when you file your 2023 tax return. To claim exemption from withholding, certify that you meet both of the conditions above by writing "Exempt" on Form W-4 in the space below Step 4(c). Then, complete Steps 1(a), 1(b), and 5. Do not complete any other steps. You will need to submit a new Form W-4 by February 15, 2024.

Your privacy. If you have concerns with Step 2(c), you may choose Step 2(b); if you have concerns with Step 4(a), you may enter an additional amount you want withheld per pay period in Step 4(c).

Self-employment. Generally, you will owe both income and self-employment taxes on any self-employment income you receive separate from the wages you receive as an employee. If you want to pay income and self-employment taxes through withholding from your wages, you should enter the self-employment income on Step 4(a). Then compute your self-employment tax, divide that tax by the number of pay periods remaining in the year, and include that resulting amount per pay period on Step 4(c). You can also add half of the annual amount of self-employment tax to Step 4(b) as a deduction. To calculate self-employment tax, you generally multiply the self-employment income by 14.13% (this rate is a quick way to figure your self-employment tax and equals the sum of the 12.4% social security tax and the 2.9% Medicare tax multiplied by 0.9235). See Pub. 505 for more information, especially if the sum of self-employment income multiplied by 0.9235 and wages exceeds \$160,200 for a given individual.

Nonresident alien. If you're a nonresident alien, see Notice 1392, Supplemental Form W-4 Instructions for Nonresident Aliens, before completing this form.

Specific Instructions

Step 1(c). Check your anticipated filing status. This will determine the standard deduction and tax rates used to compute your withholding.

Step 2. Use this step if you (1) have more than one job at the same time, or (2) are married filing jointly and you and your spouse both work.

If you (and your spouse) have a total of only two jobs, you may check the box in option (c). The box must also be checked on the Form W-4 for the other job. If the box is checked, the standard deduction and tax brackets will be cut in half for each job to calculate withholding. This option is roughly accurate for jobs with similar pay; otherwise, more tax than necessary may be withheld, and this extra amount will be larger the greater the difference in pay is between the two jobs.



Multiple jobs. Complete Steps 3 through 4(b) on only one Form W-4. Withholding will be most accurate if you do this on the Form W-4 for the highest paying job.

Step 3. This step provides instructions for determining the amount of the child tax credit and the credit for other dependents that you may be able to claim when you file your tax return. To qualify for the child tax credit, the child must be under age 17 as of December 31, must be your dependent who generally lives with you for more than half the year, and must have the required social security number. You may be able to claim a credit for other dependents for whom a child tax credit can't be claimed, such as an older child or a qualifying relative. For additional eligibility requirements for these credits, see Pub. 501, Dependents, Standard Deduction, and Filing Information. You can also include **other tax credits** for which you are eligible in this step, such as the foreign tax credit and the education tax credits. To do so, add an estimate of the amount for the year to your credits for dependents and enter the total amount in Step 3. Including these credits will increase your paycheck and reduce the amount of any refund you may receive when you file your tax return.

Step 4 (optional).

Step 4(a). Enter in this step the total of your other estimated income for the year, if any. You shouldn't include income from any jobs or self-employment. If you complete Step 4(a), you likely won't have to make estimated tax payments for that income. If you prefer to pay estimated tax rather than having tax on other income withheld from your paycheck, see Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals.

Step 4(b). Enter in this step the amount from the Deductions Worksheet, line 5, if you expect to claim deductions other than the basic standard deduction on your 2023 tax return and want to reduce your withholding to account for these deductions. This includes both itemized deductions and other deductions such as for student loan interest and IRAs.

Step 4(c). Enter in this step any additional tax you want withheld from your pay **each pay period**, including any amounts from the Multiple Jobs Worksheet, line 4. Entering an amount here will reduce your paycheck and will either increase your refund or reduce any amount of tax that you owe.

Step 2(b)—Multiple Jobs Worksheet (Keep for your records.)

If you choose the option in Step 2(b) on Form W-4, complete this worksheet (which calculates the total extra tax for all jobs) on **only ONE** Form W-4. Withholding will be most accurate if you complete the worksheet and enter the result on the Form W-4 for the highest paying job. To be accurate, submit a new Form W-4 for all other jobs if you have not updated your withholding since 2019.

Note: If more than one job has annual wages of more than \$120,000 or there are more than three jobs, see Pub. 505 for additional tables.

- 1 Two jobs.** If you have two jobs or you're married filing jointly and you and your spouse each have one job, find the amount from the appropriate table on page 4. Using the "Higher Paying Job" row and the "Lower Paying Job" column, find the value at the intersection of the two household salaries and enter that value on line 1. Then, **skip** to line 3 **1** \$ _____
- 2 Three jobs.** If you and/or your spouse have three jobs at the same time, complete lines 2a, 2b, and 2c below. Otherwise, skip to line 3.
 - a** Find the amount from the appropriate table on page 4 using the annual wages from the highest paying job in the "Higher Paying Job" row and the annual wages for your next highest paying job in the "Lower Paying Job" column. Find the value at the intersection of the two household salaries and enter that value on line 2a **2a** \$ _____
 - b** Add the annual wages of the two highest paying jobs from line 2a together and use the total as the wages in the "Higher Paying Job" row and use the annual wages for your third job in the "Lower Paying Job" column to find the amount from the appropriate table on page 4 and enter this amount on line 2b **2b** \$ _____
 - c** Add the amounts from lines 2a and 2b and enter the result on line 2c **2c** \$ _____
- 3** Enter the number of pay periods per year for the highest paying job. For example, if that job pays weekly, enter 52; if it pays every other week, enter 26; if it pays monthly, enter 12, etc. **3** _____
- 4 Divide** the annual amount on line 1 or line 2c by the number of pay periods on line 3. Enter this amount here and in **Step 4(c)** of Form W-4 for the highest paying job (along with any other additional amount you want withheld) **4** \$ _____

Step 4(b)—Deductions Worksheet (Keep for your records.)

- 1** Enter an estimate of your 2023 itemized deductions (from Schedule A (Form 1040)). Such deductions may include qualifying home mortgage interest, charitable contributions, state and local taxes (up to \$10,000), and medical expenses in excess of 7.5% of your income **1** \$ _____
- 2** Enter:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$27,700 if you're married filing jointly or a qualifying surviving spouse • \$20,800 if you're head of household • \$13,850 if you're single or married filing separately 	}
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2 \$ _____
- 3** If line 1 is greater than line 2, subtract line 2 from line 1 and enter the result here. If line 2 is greater than line 1, enter "-0-" **3** \$ _____
- 4** Enter an estimate of your student loan interest, deductible IRA contributions, and certain other adjustments (from Part II of Schedule 1 (Form 1040)). See Pub. 505 for more information **4** \$ _____
- 5 Add** lines 3 and 4. Enter the result here and in **Step 4(b)** of Form W-4 **5** \$ _____

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice. We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. Internal Revenue Code sections 3402(f)(2) and 6109 and their regulations require you to provide this information; your employer uses it to determine your federal income tax withholding. Failure to provide a properly completed form will result in your being treated as a single person with no other entries on the form; providing fraudulent information may subject you to penalties. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation; to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and territories for use in administering their tax laws; and to the Department of Health and Human Services for use in the National Directory of New Hires. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism.

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. Generally, tax returns and return information are confidential, as required by Code section 6103.

The average time and expenses required to complete and file this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. For estimated averages, see the instructions for your income tax return.

If you have suggestions for making this form simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. See the instructions for your income tax return.

Married Filing Jointly or Qualifying Surviving Spouse

Higher Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary	Lower Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary											
	\$0 - 9,999	\$10,000 - 19,999	\$20,000 - 29,999	\$30,000 - 39,999	\$40,000 - 49,999	\$50,000 - 59,999	\$60,000 - 69,999	\$70,000 - 79,999	\$80,000 - 89,999	\$90,000 - 99,999	\$100,000 - 109,999	\$110,000 - 120,000
\$0 - 9,999	\$0	\$0	\$850	\$850	\$1,000	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,870
\$10,000 - 19,999	0	930	1,850	2,000	2,200	2,220	2,220	2,220	2,220	2,220	3,200	4,070
\$20,000 - 29,999	850	1,850	2,920	3,120	3,320	3,340	3,340	3,340	3,340	4,320	5,320	6,190
\$30,000 - 39,999	850	2,000	3,120	3,320	3,520	3,540	3,540	3,540	4,520	5,520	6,520	7,390
\$40,000 - 49,999	1,000	2,200	3,320	3,520	3,720	3,740	3,740	4,720	5,720	6,720	7,720	8,590
\$50,000 - 59,999	1,020	2,220	3,340	3,540	3,740	3,760	4,750	5,750	6,750	7,750	8,750	9,610
\$60,000 - 69,999	1,020	2,220	3,340	3,540	3,740	4,750	5,750	6,750	7,750	8,750	9,750	10,610
\$70,000 - 79,999	1,020	2,220	3,340	3,540	4,720	5,750	6,750	7,750	8,750	9,750	10,750	11,610
\$80,000 - 99,999	1,020	2,220	4,170	5,370	6,570	7,600	8,600	9,600	10,600	11,600	12,600	13,460
\$100,000 - 149,999	1,870	4,070	6,190	7,390	8,590	9,610	10,610	11,660	12,860	14,060	15,260	16,330
\$150,000 - 239,999	2,040	4,440	6,760	8,160	9,560	10,780	11,980	13,180	14,380	15,580	16,780	17,850
\$240,000 - 259,999	2,040	4,440	6,760	8,160	9,560	10,780	11,980	13,180	14,380	15,580	16,780	17,850
\$260,000 - 279,999	2,040	4,440	6,760	8,160	9,560	10,780	11,980	13,180	14,380	15,580	16,780	18,140
\$280,000 - 299,999	2,040	4,440	6,760	8,160	9,560	10,780	11,980	13,180	14,380	15,870	17,870	19,740
\$300,000 - 319,999	2,040	4,440	6,760	8,160	9,560	10,780	11,980	13,470	15,470	17,470	19,470	21,340
\$320,000 - 364,999	2,040	4,440	6,760	8,550	10,750	12,770	14,770	16,770	18,770	20,770	22,770	24,640
\$365,000 - 524,999	2,970	6,470	9,890	12,390	14,890	17,220	19,520	21,820	24,120	26,420	28,720	30,880
\$525,000 and over	3,140	6,840	10,460	13,160	15,860	18,390	20,890	23,390	25,890	28,390	30,890	33,250

Single or Married Filing Separately

Higher Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary	Lower Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary											
	\$0 - 9,999	\$10,000 - 19,999	\$20,000 - 29,999	\$30,000 - 39,999	\$40,000 - 49,999	\$50,000 - 59,999	\$60,000 - 69,999	\$70,000 - 79,999	\$80,000 - 89,999	\$90,000 - 99,999	\$100,000 - 109,999	\$110,000 - 120,000
\$0 - 9,999	\$310	\$890	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,860	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$2,030	\$2,040
\$10,000 - 19,999	890	1,630	1,750	1,750	2,600	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,760	3,960	3,970
\$20,000 - 29,999	1,020	1,750	1,880	2,720	3,720	4,720	4,730	4,730	4,890	5,090	5,290	5,300
\$30,000 - 39,999	1,020	1,750	2,720	3,720	4,720	5,720	5,730	5,890	6,090	6,290	6,490	6,500
\$40,000 - 59,999	1,710	3,450	4,570	5,570	6,570	7,700	7,910	8,110	8,310	8,510	8,710	8,720
\$60,000 - 79,999	1,870	3,600	4,730	5,860	7,060	8,260	8,460	8,660	8,860	9,060	9,260	9,280
\$80,000 - 99,999	1,870	3,730	5,060	6,260	7,460	8,660	8,860	9,060	9,260	9,460	10,430	11,240
\$100,000 - 124,999	2,040	3,970	5,300	6,500	7,700	8,900	9,110	9,610	10,610	11,610	12,610	13,430
\$125,000 - 149,999	2,040	3,970	5,300	6,500	7,700	9,610	10,610	11,610	12,610	13,610	14,900	16,020
\$150,000 - 174,999	2,040	3,970	5,610	7,610	9,610	11,610	12,610	13,750	15,050	16,350	17,650	18,770
\$175,000 - 199,999	2,720	5,450	7,580	9,580	11,580	13,870	15,180	16,480	17,780	19,080	20,380	21,490
\$200,000 - 249,999	2,900	5,930	8,360	10,660	12,960	15,260	16,570	17,870	19,170	20,470	21,770	22,880
\$250,000 - 399,999	2,970	6,010	8,440	10,740	13,040	15,340	16,640	17,940	19,240	20,540	21,840	22,960
\$400,000 - 449,999	2,970	6,010	8,440	10,740	13,040	15,340	16,640	17,940	19,240	20,540	21,840	22,960
\$450,000 and over	3,140	6,380	9,010	11,510	14,010	16,510	18,010	19,510	21,010	22,510	24,010	25,330

Head of Household

Higher Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary	Lower Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary											
	\$0 - 9,999	\$10,000 - 19,999	\$20,000 - 29,999	\$30,000 - 39,999	\$40,000 - 49,999	\$50,000 - 59,999	\$60,000 - 69,999	\$70,000 - 79,999	\$80,000 - 89,999	\$90,000 - 99,999	\$100,000 - 109,999	\$110,000 - 120,000
\$0 - 9,999	\$0	\$620	\$860	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,650	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,890	\$2,040
\$10,000 - 19,999	620	1,630	2,060	2,220	2,220	2,220	2,850	3,850	4,070	4,090	4,290	4,440
\$20,000 - 29,999	860	2,060	2,490	2,650	2,650	3,280	4,280	5,280	5,520	5,720	5,920	6,070
\$30,000 - 39,999	1,020	2,220	2,650	2,810	3,440	4,440	5,440	6,460	6,880	7,080	7,280	7,430
\$40,000 - 59,999	1,020	2,220	3,130	4,290	5,290	6,290	7,480	8,680	9,100	9,300	9,500	9,650
\$60,000 - 79,999	1,500	3,700	5,130	6,290	7,480	8,680	9,880	11,080	11,500	11,700	11,900	12,050
\$80,000 - 99,999	1,870	4,070	5,690	7,050	8,250	9,450	10,650	11,850	12,260	12,460	12,870	13,820
\$100,000 - 124,999	2,040	4,440	6,070	7,430	8,630	9,830	11,030	12,230	13,190	14,190	15,190	16,150
\$125,000 - 149,999	2,040	4,440	6,070	7,430	8,630	9,980	11,980	13,980	15,190	16,190	17,270	18,530
\$150,000 - 174,999	2,040	4,440	6,070	7,980	9,980	11,980	13,980	15,980	17,420	18,720	20,020	21,280
\$175,000 - 199,999	2,190	5,390	7,820	9,980	11,980	14,060	16,360	18,660	20,170	21,470	22,770	24,030
\$200,000 - 249,999	2,720	6,190	8,920	11,380	13,680	15,980	18,280	20,580	22,090	23,390	24,690	25,950
\$250,000 - 449,999	2,970	6,470	9,200	11,660	13,960	16,260	18,560	20,860	22,380	23,680	24,980	26,230
\$450,000 and over	3,140	6,840	9,770	12,430	14,930	17,430	19,930	22,430	24,150	25,650	27,150	28,600

FORM
M-4

MASSACHUSETTS EMPLOYEE'S WITHHOLDING EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

Rev. 11/19



Print full name

Social Security no.

Print home address.....

City..... State..... Zip

Employee:

File this form with your employer. Otherwise, Massachusetts Income Taxes will be withheld from your wages without exemptions.

Employer:

Keep this certificate with your records. If the employee is believed to have claimed excessive exemptions, the Massachusetts Department of Revenue should be so advised.

HOW TO CLAIM YOUR WITHHOLDING EXEMPTIONS

1. Your personal exemption. Write the figure "1." If you are age 65 or over or will be before next year, write "2"
 2. If married and if exemption for spouse is allowed, write the figure "4." If your spouse is age 65 or over or will be before next year and if otherwise qualified, write "5." See Instruction C.
 3. Write the number of your qualified dependents. See Instruction D.
 4. Add the number of exemptions which you have claimed above and write the total.
 5. Additional withholding per pay period under agreement with employer \$
- A. ☐ Check if you will file as head of household on your tax return.
- B. ☐ Check if you are blind. C. ☐ Check if spouse is blind and not subject to withholding.
- D. ☐ Check if you are a full-time student engaged in seasonal, part-time or temporary employment whose estimated annual income will not exceed \$8,000.

EMPLOYER: DO NOT withhold if Box D is checked.

I certify that the number of withholding exemptions claimed on this certificate does not exceed the number to which I am entitled.

Date. Signed

THIS FORM MAY BE REPRODUCED

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

A. Number. The more exemptions you claim on this certificate, the less tax withheld from your employer. If you claim more exemptions than you are entitled to, civil and criminal penalties may be imposed. However, you may claim a smaller number of exemptions without penalty. If you do not file a certificate, your employer must withhold on the basis of no exemptions.

If you expect to owe more income tax than will be withheld, you may either claim a smaller number of exemptions or enter into an agreement with your employer to have additional amounts withheld.

You should claim the total number of exemptions to which you are entitled to prevent excessive overwithholding, unless you have a significant amount of other income. Underwithholding may result in owing additional taxes to the Commonwealth at the end of the year.

If you work for more than one employer at the same time, you must not claim any exemptions with employers other than your principal employer.

If you are married and if your spouse is subject to withholding, each may claim a personal exemption.

B. Changes. You may file a new certificate at any time if the number of exemptions increases. You must file a new certificate within 10 days if the number of exemptions previously claimed by you decreases. For example, if during the year your dependent son's income indicates that you will not

provide over half of his support for the year, you must file a new certificate.

C. Spouse. If your spouse is not working or if she or he is working but not claiming the personal exemption or the age 65 or over exemption, generally you may claim those exemptions in line 2. However, if you are planning to file separate annual tax returns, you should not claim withholdingg exemptions for your spouse or for any dependents that will not be claimed on your annual tax return.

If claiming a spouse, write "4" in line 2. Entering "4" makes a withholding system adjustment for the \$4,400 exemption for a spouse.

D. Dependent(s). You may claim an exemption in line 3 for each individual who qualifies as a dependent under the Federal Income Tax Law. In addition, if one or more of your dependents will be under age 12 at year end, add "1" to your dependents total for line 3.

You are not allowed to claim "federal withholding deductions and adjustments" under the Massachusetts withholding system.

If you have income not subject to withholding, you are urged to have additional amounts withheld to cover your tax liability on such income. See line 5.

DUDLEY-CHARLTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Authorization Agreement for Automatic Deposits (ACH Credits)

Properly completed agreements should be submitted to the District Business Office. An approved copy will be returned to you. It will state the starting date of your direct deposits.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 9 BELOW (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

- (1) Indicate whether you want your payroll check deposited into your checking or savings account by circling (a), (b), or (c) below.
- (2) Fill in your bank's name and address.
- (3) List your bank's ABA Number. This number is located at the lower left hand corner of your check. Please attach a copy of a blank check which you have marked "VOID". If your payroll check goes into your savings account, you will have to ask the bank what their ABA Number is.
- (4) Your bank account number
- (5) Amount to be deposited: all or partial amount (partial deposit must include amount)
- (6) Print your name
- (7) List your school or office.
- (8), (9) Date and sign this form acknowledging acceptance of terms.

I (We) hereby authorize the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District, hereinafter called COMPANY, to initiate credit entries and to initiate, if necessary, debit entries and adjustments for any credit entries in error to my (our) account indicated below and the depository named below, hereinafter called DEPOSITORY, to credit and/or debit the same to such account.

One form must be completed for each account to be changed

- (1) Circle your choice: (a) Checking: ☐ New account ☐ Change amount in existing account
(b) Savings: ☐ New account ☐ Change amount in existing account
(c) Other Instructions: _____

(2) DEPOSITORY (Receiving Bank) Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

(3) DEPOSITORY BANK Transit/ABA Number: _____

(4) CUSTOMER ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____

(5) AMOUNT OF DEPOSIT: ☐ All of my payroll check OR ☐ \$_____ Partial

This authority is to remain in full force and effect until COMPANY has received written notification from me (us) of its termination in such a time and such a manner as to afford COMPANY and DEPOSITORY a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

(6) NAME: _____

(7) WORK LOCATION: _____

(8) DATE: _____ (9) SIGNATURE: _____

Business Office Approval: _____ Effective Date: _____



Participant Enrollment Governmental 457(b) Plan

Massachusetts Deferred Compensation SMART Plan - Mandatory OBRA

98966-02

Participant Information

_____ Last Name (The name provided MUST match the name on file with Service Provider.)	_____ First Name	_____ MI
_____ Mailing Address		
_____ City	_____ State	_____ Zip Code
() _____ Home Phone	() _____ Work Phone	

☐ Check box if you prefer to receive quarterly account statements in Spanish.

_____ Social Security Number					
_____ E-Mail Address					
<input type="checkbox"/> Married		<input type="checkbox"/> Unmarried		<input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	
Mo	Day	Year	Mo	Day	Year
____	____	____	____	____	____
Date of Birth			Date of Hire		

Annual Income (Required for My Total Retirement enrollment)

Do you have a retirement savings account with a previous employer or an IRA? ☐ Yes or ☐ No

Important Notice: Employees participating in the Massachusetts Deferred Compensation SMART Plan - OBRA Mandatory Plan (the Plan) must complete Social Security Form SSA-1945. The Plan has been designated as an alternative retirement system for part time employees not covered by their employers retirement system. The SSA-1945 explains the potential effects of the Windfall Elimination Provision and Government Pension Offset Provision under the Social Security law which may reduce the amount of your Social Security retirement or disability benefits, and/or benefits received by you as a spouse or an ex-spouse. If you have any questions regarding SSA-1945 or if you have not completed SSA-1945, please contact your employer.

Payroll Information

_____ Division Name	To be completed by Representative: _____ Division Number
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Do not complete this section if you are electing to enroll in the My Total Retirement.

Select My Own Investment Options:

☐ I elect to direct my own investments.

I understand and agree that my employer and other Plan fiduciaries will not be liable for the results of my personal investment decisions.

Make your investment election for future deposits in the Investment Option Information section.

Investment Option Information (applies to all contributions) - Please refer to your communication materials for information regarding each investment option.

I understand that funds may impose redemption fees on certain transfers, redemptions or exchanges if assets are held less than the period stated in the fund's prospectus or other disclosure documents. I will refer to the fund's prospectus and/or disclosure documents for more information.

INVESTMENT OPTION				INVESTMENT OPTION			
NAME	TICKER	CODE	%	NAME	TICKER	CODE	%
SMARTPath Retirement Allocation Fund.....	N/A	SMPT00	_____	SMARTPath 2040 Retirement Fund.....	N/A	SMPT40	_____
SMARTPath 2010 Retirement Fund.....	N/A	SMPT10	_____	SMARTPath 2045 Retirement Fund.....	N/A	SMPT45	_____

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	Social Security Number	98966-02 Number
SMARTPath 2015 Retirement Fund..... N/A	SMPT15		SMARTPath 2050 Retirement Fund..... N/A	SMPT50
SMARTPath 2020 Retirement Fund..... N/A	SMPT20		SMARTPath 2055 Retirement Fund..... N/A	SMPT55
SMARTPath 2025 Retirement Fund..... N/A	SMPT25		SMARTPath 2060 Retirement Fund..... N/A	SMPT60
SMARTPath 2030 Retirement Fund..... N/A	SMPT30		SMARTPath 2065 Retirement Fund..... N/A	SMPT65
SMARTPath 2035 Retirement Fund..... N/A	SMPT35		SMART Capital Preservation Fund..... N/A	MELINC

MUST INDICATE WHOLE PERCENTAGES = 100%

-OR-

My Total Retirement Information

The My Total Retirement provided by Empower Advisory Group, LLC will automatically direct your investment elections and will rebalance your account periodically, as necessary. This election will be effective as soon as administratively feasible following receipt of your completed enrollment form and signed Advisory Services Agreement. By electing My Total Retirement, you agree to the fees associated with this service and understand the fees will be deducted from your account in accordance with the attached Advisory Services Agreement. If you prefer to make your own investment decisions and not participate in this service, simply select the Select My Own Investment Options box and enter your investment instructions in the Investment Option Information section.

My Total Retirement:

- ☐ By checking this box, I elect to have my account professionally managed by Empower Advisory Group, LLC until such time as I cancel my enrollment in the service.

Plan Beneficiary Designation

This designation is effective upon execution and delivery to Service Provider at the address below. I have the right to change the beneficiary. If any information is missing, additional information may be required prior to recording my beneficiary designation. If my primary and contingent beneficiaries predecease me or I fail to designate beneficiaries, amounts will be paid pursuant to the terms of the Plan Document or applicable law.

You may only designate one primary and one contingent beneficiary on this form. However, the number of primary or contingent beneficiaries you name is not limited. If you wish to designate more than one primary and/or contingent beneficiary, do not complete the section below. Instead, complete and forward the Beneficiary Designation form.

Primary Beneficiary

100.00%

% of Account Balance ()	Social Security Number	Primary Beneficiary Name	Date of Birth
Phone Number (Optional)	Relationship (Required - If Relationship is not provided, request will be rejected and sent back for clarification.)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Sibling <input type="checkbox"/> My Estate <input type="checkbox"/> A Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partner		

Contingent Beneficiary

100.00%

% of Account Balance ()	Social Security Number	Contingent Beneficiary Name	Date of Birth
Phone Number (Optional)	Relationship (Required - If Relationship is not provided, request will be rejected and sent back for clarification.)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Sibling <input type="checkbox"/> My Estate <input type="checkbox"/> A Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partner		

Participation Agreement

Withdrawal Restrictions - I understand that the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and/or my employer's Plan Document may impose restrictions on transfers and/or distributions. I understand that I must contact the Plan Administrator to determine when and/or under what circumstances I am eligible to receive distributions or make transfers.

Investment Options - If I elect to direct my own investments, I understand that by signing and submitting this Participant Enrollment form for processing, I am requesting to have investment options established under the Plan as specified in the Investment Option Information section. I understand and agree that this account is subject to the terms of the Plan Document. I understand and acknowledge that all payments and account values, when based on the experience of the investment options, may not be guaranteed and may fluctuate, and, upon redemption, shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. I acknowledge that investment option information, including prospectuses, disclosure documents and Fund Profile sheets, have been made available to me and I understand the risks of investing.

I understand if I elect to have my account managed by Empower Advisory Group, LLC, that my entire account, including any transfers or rollovers, will be professionally managed and I have not completed the Investment Option Information section. In the event investment option information is completed, my election to have my account professionally managed will override my investment option elections. Dollar cost averaging and asset allocation are not available if my account is professionally managed. I understand that the applicable fees will be deducted from my account. In order to enroll in the My Total Retirement, I understand that I must provide my date of birth, gender, marital status, state of residence and annual income. If any of this information is not provided, I understand that I will not be enrolled in the My Total Retirement.

Last Name

First Name

M.I.

Social Security Number

98966-02

Number

Compliance With Plan Document and/or the Code - Participation in this Plan is mandatory. A deduction will be taken from your wages and invested on your behalf based on your employer's Plan Document. I agree that my employer or Plan Administrator may take any action that may be necessary to ensure that my participation in the Plan is in compliance with any applicable requirement of the Plan Document and/or the Code. I understand that the maximum annual limit on contributions is determined under the Plan Document and/or the Code. I understand that it is my responsibility to monitor my total annual contributions to ensure that I do not exceed the amount permitted. If I exceed the contribution limit, I assume sole liability for any tax, penalty, or costs that may be incurred.

Incomplete Forms - I understand that in the event my Participant Enrollment form is incomplete or is not received by Service Provider at the address below prior to the receipt of any deposits, I specifically consent to Service Provider retaining all monies received and allocating them to the default investment option.

Account Corrections - I understand that it is my obligation to review all confirmations and quarterly statements for discrepancies or errors. Corrections will be made only for errors which I communicate within 90 calendar days of the last calendar quarter. After this 90 days, account information shall be deemed accurate and acceptable to me. If I notify Service Provider of an error after this 90 days, the correction will only be processed from the date of notification forward and not on a retroactive basis.

My Total Retirement Fee - If you elect the My Total Retirement, a quarterly fee will be assessed. If you wish to cancel your enrollment in the future please call your Plan's Voice Response System number.

Signature(s) and Consent

Participant Consent

I have completed, understand and agree to all pages of this Participant Enrollment form including the terms of the My Total Retirement Agreement.

Deferral agreements must be entered into prior to the first day of the month that the deferral will be made.

Participant Signature

Date

A handwritten signature is required on this form. An electronic signature will not be accepted and will result in a significant delay.

After all signatures have been obtained, this form can be:

Uploaded electronically to:

Login to account at

www.mass-smart.com

Click on *Upload Documents* to submit

OR

Sent regular mail to:

Empower

PO Box 173764

Denver, CO 80217-3764

OR

Sent express mail to:

Empower

8515 E. Orchard Road

Greenwood Village, CO 80111

We will not accept hand delivered forms at express mail addresses.

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ADVISORY SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Agreement describes the terms and conditions applicable to the investment advice and management services (each a “Service” and collectively the “Services”) offered by Empower Advisory Group, LLC (“EAG”) and described below. EAG is a registered investment adviser and wholly owned subsidiary of Empower Life & Annuity Insurance Company of America (“EAIC”), which provides financial services and products under the brand name “Empower”. EAG offers the Services to accounts (each an “Account” and collectively the “Accounts”) held by investors participating in employer-sponsored retirement plans (each a “Plan”) recordkept through Empower. By using the Services, you consent to be bound by these terms and conditions.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

EAG offers the following two Services to your Account: Online Advice and the Managed Account service. You may receive all or some of the Services as determined by the Plan’s sponsor. If you have multiple Accounts held with Empower, you must select which of the Services you will use for each Account.

Online Advice: Online Advice offers fund-specific investment advice to users who wish to manage their own Account but receive assistance in doing so. The investments recommended by Online Advice are based on information drawn from your Account profile and from the investment options available within your Account. You decide whether to implement the advice delivered through Online Advice.

- EAG does not provide advice for, or recommend allocations of, individual stocks (including employer stock, unless your employer instructs EAG otherwise), self-directed brokerage accounts, guaranteed certificate funds, or employer-directed monies, or any other investment options that do not satisfy the methodology requirements of the subadviser who provides investment methodology to EAG.
- EAG is not responsible for any delays or limitations impacting Online Advice that are attributable to restrictions imposed by a third-party investment provider of an investment option within your Account.

Managed Account service: The Managed Account service offers users an investment management service under which investment professionals will select and allocate your Account among the available investment options. You will receive a personalized investment portfolio that reflects your retirement timeframe, life stages and overall financial picture, including, but not limited to, assets held outside your Account (if you elect to provide this information), which may be taken into consideration when determining the allocation of assets in your Account. Changes that you make to your profile, such as outside assets, your intended retirement age or constraining your portfolio to a specific risk level, will generally apply to all your accounts held through Empower. Such changes may cause each managed account, whether managed by an affiliate of Empower or an unaffiliated third-party advisor, to be rebalanced and re-allocated. For taxable accounts, rebalancing or re-allocation transactions will typically have tax implications, as a result we’ll send you tax forms for any capital gains and losses associated with the rebalancing activity. Generally, EAG will not provide advice for, recommend allocations of, or manage your outside accounts.

- Under the Managed Account service, EAG has discretionary authority over allocating your assets among the Plan’s investment options without your prior approval of each transaction. EAG is not responsible for either the selection or maintenance of the investment options available within your Plan. Further, EAG is not responsible for any delays or limitations impacting the Managed Account service attributable to restrictions imposed by a third-party investment provider of an investment option within your Account.
- EAG does not provide advice for, or recommend allocations of, individual stocks (including employer stock, unless your employer instructs EAG otherwise), self-directed brokerage accounts, guaranteed certificate funds, or employer-directed monies, or any other investment options that do not satisfy the methodology requirements of the subadviser who provides investment methodology to EAG. Your balances in any of these investment options or vehicles may be liquidated, subject to your Plan’s and/or investment provider’s restrictions.

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- Account assets subject to the Managed Account service will be monitored, rebalanced and reallocated periodically by EAG, according to the methodology of EAG's subadvisor. You will receive an Account update statement periodically and can update your personal information at any time by calling EAG or by visiting the Plan website.

INFORMATION ABOUT PARTICIPATION IN THE SERVICES

Information Gathered to Provide the Services. You or your employer must provide all data that is necessary for EAG to perform its duties under this Agreement, including but not limited to: your date of birth, income, gender, and state of residence, which EAG may rely upon in providing the services to you. If the data supplied by you or your Plan sponsor, if applicable, does not meet the Managed Account service methodology requirements, we will attempt to contact you for updated information. If this is not completed, your enrollment in the Managed Account service may not be completed or may be terminated. Information that you provide in addition to the recordkeeping data sources, such as linking accounts manually, through account aggregation or linking multiple record-kept Employer plans through OneID/One Password in the Empower Personalized Experience, may all be used by the Services to help personalize your recommendations and projections. Please ensure manually entered assets are not already being included by the Services automatically as this may impact the recommendations and projections. If you participate in My Total Retirement, you will receive a Welcome Kit shortly after enrollment. You will also receive an account update statement periodically, providing you with a detailed analysis of your Account. Your account update statement will also confirm your personal data which is used to provide you with personalized investment management.

You are responsible for reviewing your account statements, transaction confirmations, and advisory services communications carefully for discrepancies or errors. Call your Plan's toll-free customer service number to notify EAG of any incorrect information including, but not limited to, current or future investment allocations, desired retirement age, investment risk level, and outside investment holdings.

You must notify EAG of any errors or discrepancies immediately. EAG is not responsible for corrections related to incorrect data provided by you or your Plan sponsor and is also not responsible for the correction of errors not reported in a timely manner.

Fees Applicable to the Services. Appendix A to this Agreement describes the fees applicable to the Services. You authorize EAG to deduct the billing period fee described in Appendix A. The fees are subject to change. EAG reserves the right to offer discounted fees or other promotional pricing.

Investment Methodology. EAG generates investment recommendations under Online Advice and My Total Retirement using an investment methodology generated by its independent subadvisor (currently, Morningstar Investment Management LLC, herein "Morningstar"). EAG may change its subadvisor at any time. Using its proprietary methodology, Morningstar determines an appropriate asset level portfolio that best suits each user's situation using the investment options available for the Services. Your Account is monitored and rebalanced periodically among the available investment options. EAG will also provide various recommendations and projections for your Account using methodology developed by EAG or its affiliates including, but not limited to, savings rate advice and retirement income projections. The projections or other information generated by this process regarding the likelihood of various investment outcomes are hypothetical in nature, do not reflect actual investment results and are not guarantees of future results. Results may vary with each use and over time.

Additional Fees May Apply. Fees for the Services do not include the fees and expenses charged by the investment options to which your Account will be allocated. For more information about the fees assessed by investment options in your Account, including information about the options' expense ratios and share class, please review your Plan's investment option disclosure documents. Some Plan investment options may also charge redemption fees, which vary in amount and application by each applicable investment option. It is possible that transactions performed through the Services may result in the imposition of a redemption fee on one or more available investment options. Any such redemption fees are deducted from your account balance.

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Conflicts of Interest. EAG has several conflicts of interest in providing services to your Account.

- Investment advice and management services. EAG's representatives may recommend that you use the Services for your Account. If you enroll in the Managed Account service, EAG will earn additional compensation, since you will pay fees to use the Service as described in Appendix A.
- Increased fee income. When you use the Services, EAG may recommend you increase contributions to the Plan, or implement other savings or investment strategies. EAG's affiliates provide a bundle of recordkeeping, trust, custody, brokerage, investment and other related services to your Plan and to related IRA products. If you pay for these services through an arrangement where our affiliates charge a direct fee, EAG's affiliates may receive additional fees for these services as a result of EAG's recommendations, because you may contribute, invest, or transact in more assets with EAG's family of companies.
- Proprietary investment funds. EAG's affiliates offer proprietary investment funds, and EAG may recommend or allocate your Account to our affiliates' proprietary investment funds, such as proprietary mutual funds and collective investment trusts. These investment funds generate additional income to EAG's family of companies. For our proprietary investment funds, fees compensate our affiliates for administering, managing, and supervising these funds.
- Proprietary insurance products. EAG's parent company, EAIC, offers proprietary insurance products for investment. EAG may recommend or allocate your Account to different types of EAIC insurance products and funding agreements. Most EAIC insurance products are annuity contracts that are structured either as a "general account" product or as a "separate account" product. If you invest in a general account product, which is an insurance product backed by the general account of an insurance company, EAG's affiliates generate revenue by retaining spread, which is the difference between actual earnings on contracts offered by the insurer, and the crediting rate declared and guaranteed by the insurer through the contract. EAG's affiliates may also receive different types of fee income if you invest in the general account or separate account products, as well as other third-party payments associated with investments held in the separate account.
- Third-Party Payments. EAG's affiliates receive payments from other firms, non-proprietary investment funds or products, or providers, such as revenue sharing payments, in connection with the investments made in your Account pursuant to our recommendation or investment management. For example, a mutual fund available through your Plan may make 12b-1 payments to EAG's affiliated broker-dealer based on your Account investment.
- Representative Compensation. EAG's representatives are generally paid a salary and a variable bonus. The bonus is based on a combination of the performance of Empower, as well as the representative's individual performance. Additionally, EAG has authorized Empower Financial Services, Inc. ("EFSI") and its licensed agents and registered representatives, to solicit, refer and market the Services to Plan sponsors and potential users. EFSI representatives may be compensated in part based on these solicitation activities, in accordance with applicable law.

For additional information about the Services, the methodology used to produce investment and other recommendations, compensation for EAG representatives or EAG's conflicts of interest, please see EAG's Form ADV and information available at www.empower.com.

Cancellation. Once enrolled in the Managed Account service, you will no longer be able to make investment allocation changes to your Account. You may cancel participation in the Managed Account service at any time online or by calling EAG. Once you have opted-out of the Managed Account service, you are responsible for managing your own Account. You will need to initiate your own allocation changes and/or transfers if you wish to change your investment allocations made by the Managed Account service.

Proxy Voting. EAG does not assume the responsibility to provide assistance or vote proxies or other issuer communications regarding your Account, or to exercise voting or other decision-making authority regarding proxies or other issuer communications. Correspondence regarding the matters described in this section will be handled in connection with the Plan's policies and service provider arrangements.

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STANDARD OF CONDUCT, LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY

EAG acknowledges that, as a registered investment adviser, it owes a fiduciary duty to customers with respect to investment advice it provides. EAG may also be a fiduciary to your Account pursuant to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), depending on whether your Plan is subject to ERISA. EAG uses reasonable care, consistent with industry practice, in providing services to you. EAG, your Plan sponsor and/or the Plan recordkeeper, as applicable, do not guarantee the future performance of your Account or that the investments we recommend will be profitable. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate with market conditions, and you may lose money. The investments EAG may recommend or purchase for your Account, if applicable, are subject to various risks, including, without limitation; business, market, currency, economic, and political risks. By recommending allocations among the available investment options, we are not endorsing the selection of particular investment options available in your Plan.

EAG, the Plan sponsor and/or the Plan recordkeeper, as applicable, will not be liable to you for any loss caused by (1) our prudent, good faith decisions or actions, (2) following your instructions, or (3) any person other than EAG or its affiliates who provides services for your Account. Neither EAG nor your Plan sponsor will be liable to you for any losses resulting from your disclosure of your personal information or your password to third parties even if the purpose of your disclosure is to enable such person to enroll you in or cancel your enrollment in the Services.

You agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless EAG and its officers, directors, shareholders, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, employees, consultants, agents and licensors, your employer, the Plan administrator and/or recordkeeper, Plan sponsor, Plan trustees, Plan fiduciaries, their agents, employees, and contractors, as applicable, from and against any and all third party claims, liability, damages and/or costs (including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees) arising from your failure to comply with this Agreement, the information you provide us, your infringement of any intellectual property or other right of a third party, or from your violation of applicable law. YOU UNDERSTAND THAT IN NO EVENT WILL THE PLAN SPONSOR, EAG OR ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, SHAREHOLDERS, PARENTS, SUBSIDIARIES, AFFILIATES, EMPLOYEES, CONSULTANTS, AGENTS, LICENSORS OR ANY DATA PROVIDER BE LIABLE FOR ANY CONSEQUENTIAL, PUNITIVE, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL OR INDIRECT DAMAGES, LOSS OF BUSINESS REVENUE OR LOST PROFITS, WHETHER IN AN ACTION UNDER CONTRACT, NEGLIGENCE OR ANY OTHER THEORY EVEN IF WE ARE ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH.

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COMMUNICATIONS

EAG or its affiliates may provide any communications to you at your mailing address, or your e-mail address provided to us by you. You agree to not make any claims against EAG or its affiliates if you do not receive any communications sent to you. You agree to notify EAG promptly if your mailing address and/or e-mail address changes and to keep all account information, such as your mailing address and/or e-mail address, current and accurate. The website Terms of Service apply to your use of the customer website. You agree to receive electronic communications, including regulatory documents such as EAG's Form ADV Part II, privacy notice and Form CRS, through the Empower website or other electronic media. EAG will not impose any additional charge to you for such electronic communication. You may opt-out of electronic communications by calling your Plan's toll-free customer service number.

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GENERAL TERMS

EAG may not assign this Agreement (within the meaning of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Advisers Act")) without your consent. You may not assign this Agreement. Unless otherwise agreed to in your Plan's agreement with EAG, this Agreement is entered into in Denver, Colorado and governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Colorado, without regard to its conflict of law provisions. You agree that proper forum for any claims under this Agreement shall be in the courts of the State of Colorado for Arapahoe County or the United States District Court, District of Colorado. Please contact your Plan sponsor to determine proper venue for actions brought under this agreement. The prevailing party shall be entitled to recovery of expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees. This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between you and EAG with respect to the subject matter herein. If for any reason a provision or portion of this Agreement is found to be unenforceable, that provision of the Agreement will be enforced to the maximum extent permissible so as to affect the intent of the parties, and the remainder of this Agreement will continue in full force and effect. No failure or delay on the part of EAG in exercising any right or remedy with respect to a breach of this Agreement by you shall operate as a waiver thereof or of any prior or subsequent breach of this Agreement by you, nor shall the exercise of any such right or remedy preclude any other or future exercise thereof or exercise of any other right or remedy in connection with this Agreement. Any waiver must be in writing and signed by EAG. All terms and provisions of this Agreement will survive termination of the Agreement. This Agreement will automatically terminate upon termination of your Plan's agreement with EAG, or upon termination of your Plan's service agreement with its recordkeeper, if applicable. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to waive compliance with the Advisers Act, ERISA, if applicable, or any applicable rule or order of the Department of Labor under ERISA. EAG shall not be liable for any delay or failure to perform its obligations hereunder if such delay or failure is caused by an unforeseeable event beyond its reasonable control, including without limitation: act of God; fire; flood; earthquake; labor strike; sabotage; fiber cut; embargoes; power failure; lightning; suppliers failures; act or omissions of telecommunications common carriers; material shortages or unavailability or other delay in delivery; government codes, ordinances, laws, rules, regulations or restrictions; war or civil disorder, or acts of terrorism. EAG reserves the right to modify this Agreement at any time. You agree to review this Agreement periodically so that you are aware of any such modifications. Your continued participation in the Services shall be deemed to be your acceptance of the modified terms of this Agreement. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of EAG's successor and assigns. EAG, its officers and employees may purchase securities for their own Accounts and these securities may be the same as those recommended to, or invested for, you (e.g., shares of the same mutual fund).

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

All content provided as part of the Services, including without limitation names, logos, methodologies, and news or information provided by third parties, is protected by copyrights, trademarks, service marks, patents, or other intellectual property and proprietary rights and laws ("Intellectual Property") and may constitute trade secrets, as defined by applicable law. All such Intellectual Property is the property of their respective owners and no rights or licenses are granted to you as a result of your participation in the Services.

ABOUT EMPOWER ADVISORY GROUP, LLC

Additional information about the services provided by EAG may be found in EAG's Form ADV Part II, which is available free of charge online at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov and www.empower.com, or upon request by calling your Plan's toll-free customer service number or by writing EAG at: 8515 East Orchard Road, Greenwood Village, Colorado 80111.

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SUPPLEMENT A
FEES FOR THE SERVICE

Fees for each service are shown below. The chart below reflects the applicable billing period and annual fee amount.

Online Advice	Quarterly Fee	Annual Fee
	\$0.00	\$0.00

My Total Retirement		
Participant Account Balance	Quarterly Fee	Annual Fee
≤ \$100,000.00	0.10%	0.40%
Next \$150,000.00	0.0875%	0.35%
Next \$150,000.00	0.0625%	0.25%
≥ \$400,000.01	0.0375%	0.15%

For example, if your account balance subject to My Total Retirement is \$50,000.00, the maximum annual fee is 0.40% of the account balance. If your account balance subject to My Total Retirement is \$500,000.00, the first \$100,000.00 will be subject to a maximum annual fee of 0.40% (quarterly 0.10%), the next \$150,000.00 will be subject to a maximum annual fee of 0.35% (quarterly 0.0875%), the next \$150,000.00 will be subject to a maximum annual fee of 0.25% (quarterly 0.0625%), and any amounts over \$400,000.00 will be subject to a maximum annual fee of 0.15% (quarterly 0.0375%). For example, the maximum quarterly fee for an account balance less than \$100,000.00 (subject to maximum annual fee of 0.40%) would be 0.10% quarterly, as demonstrated above.

If you cancel participation in the service, the fee will be based on your participation in the My Total Retirement through the date of cancellation for asset-based fees. For dollar-based fees, the full billing period rate will be assessed notwithstanding the date of cancellation. If your Plan terminates its agreement with its recordkeeper, the fee will be debited based on your participation in the My Total Retirement through the date of such termination.

You can access our Privacy Policy via the link below:

<https://www.empower.com/privacy>

You can access our ADV Disclosure Brochure via the link below:

<https://dcprovider.com/EAG/EAG-ADV-Part-2A-Brochure-MIM-MAS.pdf>

Statement Concerning Your Employment in a Job Not Covered by Social Security

Employee Name _____

Employee ID# _____

Employer Name DCRSD

Employer ID# 04-2469311

Your earnings from this job are not covered under Social Security. When you retire, or if you become disabled, you may receive a pension based on earnings from this job. If you do, and you are also entitled to a benefit from Social Security based on either your own work or the work of your husband or wife, or former husband or wife, your pension may affect the amount of the Social Security benefit you receive. Your Medicare benefits, however, will not be affected. Under the Social Security law, there are two ways your Social Security benefit amount may be affected.

Windfall Elimination Provision

Under the Windfall Elimination Provision, your Social Security retirement or disability benefit is figured using a modified formula when you are also entitled to a pension from a job where you did not pay Social Security tax. As a result, you will receive a lower Social Security benefit than if you were not entitled to a pension from this job. For example, if you are age 62 in 2013, the maximum monthly reduction in your Social Security benefit as a result of this provision is \$395.50. This amount is updated annually. This provision reduces, but does not totally eliminate, your Social Security benefit. For additional information, please refer to Social Security Publication, "Windfall Elimination Provision."

Government Pension Offset Provision

Under the Government Pension Offset Provision, any Social Security spouse or widow(er) benefit to which you become entitled will be offset if you also receive a Federal, State or local government pension based on work where you did not pay Social Security tax. The offset reduces the amount of your Social Security spouse or widow(er) benefit by two-thirds of the amount of your pension.

For example, if you get a monthly pension of \$600 based on earnings that are not covered under Social Security, two-thirds of that amount, \$400, is used to offset your Social Security spouse or widow(er) benefit. If you are eligible for a \$500 widow(er) benefit, you will receive \$100 per month from Social Security (\$500 - \$400=\$100). Even if your pension is high enough to totally offset your spouse or widow(er) Social Security benefit, you are still eligible for Medicare at age 65. For additional information, please refer to Social Security Publication, "Government Pension Offset."

For More Information

Social Security publications and additional information, including information about exceptions to each provision, are available at www.socialsecurity.gov. You may also call toll free 1-800-772-1213, or for the deaf or hard of hearing call the TTY number 1-800-325-0778, or contact your local Social Security office.

I certify that I have received Form SSA-1945 that contains information about the possible effects of the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset Provision on my potential future Social Security Benefits.

Signature of Employee _____

Date _____

Summary of the Conflict of Interest Law for Municipal Employees

This summary of the conflict of interest law, General Laws chapter 268A, is intended to help municipal employees understand how that law applies to them. This summary is not a substitute for legal advice, nor does it mention every aspect of the law that may apply in a particular situation. Municipal employees can obtain free confidential advice about the conflict of interest law from the Commission's Legal Division at our website, phone number, and address above. Municipal counsel may also provide advice.

The conflict of interest law seeks to prevent conflicts between private interests and public duties, foster integrity in public service, and promote the public's trust and confidence in that service by placing restrictions on what municipal employees may do on the job, after hours, and after leaving public service, as described below. The sections referenced below are sections of G.L. c. 268A.

When the Commission determines that the conflict of interest law has been violated, it can impose a civil penalty of up to \$10,000 (\$25,000 for bribery cases) for each violation. In addition, the Commission can order the violator to repay any economic advantage he gained by the violation, and to make restitution to injured third parties. Violations of the conflict of interest law can also be prosecuted criminally.

I. Are you a municipal employee for conflict of interest law purposes?

You do not have to be a full-time, paid municipal employee to be considered a municipal employee for conflict of interest purposes. Anyone performing services for a city or town or holding a municipal position, whether paid or unpaid, including full- and part-time municipal employees, elected officials, volunteers, and consultants, is a municipal employee under the conflict of interest law. An employee of a private firm can also be a municipal employee, if the private firm has a contract with the city or town and the employee is a "key employee" under the contract, meaning the town has specifically contracted for her services. The law also covers private parties who engage in impermissible dealings with municipal employees, such as offering bribes or illegal gifts. Town meeting members and charter commission members are not municipal employees under the conflict of interest law.

II. On-the-job restrictions.

(a) Bribes. Asking for and taking bribes is prohibited. (See Section 2)

A bribe is anything of value corruptly received by a municipal employee in exchange for the employee being influenced in his official actions. Giving, offering, receiving, or asking for a bribe is illegal.

Bribes are more serious than illegal gifts because they involve corrupt intent. In other words, the municipal employee intends to sell his office by agreeing to do or not do some official act, and the giver intends to influence him to do so. Bribes of any value are illegal.

(b) Gifts and gratuities. Asking for or accepting a gift because of your official position, or because of something you can do or have done in your official position, is prohibited. (See Sections 3, 23(b)(2), and 26)

Municipal employees may not accept gifts and gratuities valued at \$50 or more given to influence their official actions or because of their official position. Accepting a gift intended to reward past official action or to bring about future official action is illegal, as is giving such gifts. Accepting a gift given to you because of the municipal position you hold is also illegal. Meals, entertainment event tickets, golf, gift baskets, and payment of travel expenses can all be illegal gifts if given in connection with official action or position, as can anything worth \$50 or more. A number of smaller gifts together worth \$50 or more may also violate these sections.

Example of violation: A town administrator accepts reduced rental payments from developers.

Example of violation: A developer offers a ski trip to a school district employee who oversees the developer's work for the school district.

Regulatory exemptions. There are situations in which a municipal employee's receipt of a gift does not present a genuine risk of a conflict of interest, and may in fact advance the public interest. The Commission has created exemptions permitting giving and receiving gifts in these situations. One commonly used exemption permits municipal employees to accept payment of travel-related expenses when doing so advances a public purpose. Another commonly used exemption permits municipal employees to accept payment of costs involved in attendance at educational and training programs. Other exemptions are listed on the Commission's website.

Example where there is no violation: A fire truck manufacturer offers to pay the travel expenses of a fire chief to a trade show where the chief can examine various kinds of fire-fighting equipment that the town may purchase. The chief fills out a disclosure form and obtains prior approval from his appointing authority.

Example where there is no violation: A town treasurer attends a two-day annual school featuring multiple substantive seminars on issues relevant to treasurers. The annual school is paid for in part by banks that do business with town treasurers. The treasurer is only required to make a disclosure if one of the sponsoring banks has official business before her in the six months before or after the annual school.

(c) Misuse of position. Using your official position to get something you are not entitled to, or to get someone else something they are not entitled to, is prohibited. Causing someone else to do these things is also prohibited. (See Sections 23(b)(2) and 26)

A municipal employee may not use her official position to get something worth \$50 or more that would not be properly available to other similarly situated individuals. Similarly, a municipal employee may not use her official position to get something worth \$50 or more for someone else that would not be properly available to other similarly situated individuals. Causing someone else to do these things is also prohibited.

Example of violation: A full-time town employee writes a novel on work time, using her office computer, and directing her secretary to proofread the draft.

Example of violation: A city councilor directs subordinates to drive the councilor's wife to and from the grocery store.

Example of violation: A mayor avoids a speeding ticket by asking the police officer who stops him, "Do you know who I am?" and showing his municipal I.D.

(d) Self-dealing and nepotism. Participating as a municipal employee in a matter in which you, your immediate family, your business organization, or your future employer has a financial interest is prohibited. (See Section 19)

A municipal employee may not participate in any particular matter in which he or a member of his immediate family (parents, children, siblings, spouse, and spouse's parents, children, and siblings) has a financial interest. He also may not participate in any particular matter in which a prospective employer, or a business organization of which he is a director, officer, trustee, or employee has a financial interest. Participation includes discussing as well as voting on a matter, and delegating a matter to someone else.

A financial interest may create a conflict of interest whether it is large or small, and positive or negative. In other words, it does not matter if a lot of money is involved or only a little. It also does not matter if you are putting money into your pocket or taking it out. If you, your immediate family, your business, or your employer have or has a

financial interest in a matter, you may not participate. The financial interest must be direct and immediate or reasonably foreseeable to create a conflict. Financial interests which are remote, speculative or not sufficiently identifiable do not create conflicts.

Example of violation: A school committee member's wife is a teacher in the town's public schools. The school committee member votes on the budget line item for teachers' salaries.

Example of violation: A member of a town affordable housing committee is also the director of a non-profit housing development corporation. The non-profit makes an application to the committee, and the member/director participates in the discussion.

Example: A planning board member lives next door to property where a developer plans to construct a new building. Because the planning board member owns abutting property, he is presumed to have a financial interest in the matter. He cannot participate unless he provides the State Ethics Commission with an opinion from a qualified independent appraiser that the new construction will not affect his financial interest.

In many cases, where not otherwise required to participate, a municipal employee may comply with the law by simply not participating in the particular matter in which she has a financial interest. She need not give a reason for not participating.

There are several exemptions to this section of the law. An appointed municipal employee may file a written disclosure about the financial interest with his appointing authority, and seek permission to participate notwithstanding the conflict. The appointing authority may grant written permission if she determines that the financial interest in question is not so substantial that it is likely to affect the integrity of his services to the municipality. Participating without disclosing the financial interest is a violation. Elected employees cannot use the disclosure procedure because they have no appointing authority.

Example where there is no violation: An appointed member of the town zoning advisory committee, which will review and recommend changes to the town's by-laws with regard to a commercial district, is a partner at a company that owns commercial property in the district. Prior to participating in any committee discussions, the member files a disclosure with the zoning board of appeals that appointed him to his position, and that board gives him a written determination authorizing his participation, despite his company's financial interest. There is no violation.

There is also an exemption for both appointed and elected employees where the employee's task is to address a matter of general policy and the employee's financial interest is shared with a substantial portion (generally 10% or more) of the town's population, such as, for instance, a financial interest in real estate tax rates or municipal utility rates.

Regulatory exemptions. In addition to the statutory exemptions just mentioned, the Commission has created several regulatory exemptions permitting municipal employees to participate in particular matters notwithstanding the presence of a financial interest in certain very specific situations when permitting them to do so advances a public purpose. There is an exemption permitting school committee members to participate in setting school fees that will affect their own children if they make a prior written disclosure. There is an exemption permitting town clerks to perform election-related functions even when they, or their immediate family members, are on the ballot, because clerks' election-related functions are extensively regulated by other laws. There is also an exemption permitting a person serving as a member of a municipal board pursuant to a legal requirement that the board have members with a specified affiliation to participate fully in determinations of general policy by the board, even if the entity with which he is affiliated has a financial interest in the matter. Other exemptions are listed in the Commission's regulations, available on the Commission's website.

Example where there is no violation: A municipal Shellfish Advisory Board has been created to provide advice to the Board of Selectmen on policy issues related to shellfishing. The Advisory Board is required to have members who are currently commercial fishermen. A board member who is a commercial fisherman may participate in determinations of general policy in which he has a financial interest common to all commercial fishermen, but may not participate in determinations in which he alone has a financial interest, such as the extension of his own individual permits or leases.

(e) False claims. Presenting a false claim to your employer for a payment or benefit is prohibited, and causing someone else to do so is also prohibited. (See Sections 23(b)(4) and 26)

A municipal employee may not present a false or fraudulent claim to his employer for any payment or benefit worth \$50 or more, or cause another person to do so.

Example of violation: A public works director directs his secretary to fill out time sheets to show him as present at work on days when he was skiing.

(f) Appearance of conflict. Acting in a manner that would make a reasonable person think you can be improperly influenced is prohibited. (See Section 23(b)(3))

A municipal employee may not act in a manner that would cause a reasonable person to think that she would show favor toward someone or that she can be improperly influenced. Section 23(b)(3) requires a municipal employee to consider whether her relationships and affiliations could prevent her from acting fairly and objectively when she performs her duties for a city or town. If she cannot be fair and objective because of a relationship or affiliation, she should not perform her duties. However, a municipal

employee, whether elected or appointed, can avoid violating this provision by making a public disclosure of the facts. An appointed employee must make the disclosure in writing to his appointing official.

Example where there is no violation: A developer who is the cousin of the chair of the conservation commission has filed an application with the commission. A reasonable person could conclude that the chair might favor her cousin. The chair files a written disclosure with her appointing authority explaining her relationship with her cousin prior to the meeting at which the application will be considered. There is no violation of Sec. 23(b)(3).

(g) Confidential information. Improperly disclosing or personally using confidential information obtained through your job is prohibited. (See Section 23(c))

Municipal employees may not improperly disclose confidential information, or make personal use of non-public information they acquired in the course of their official duties to further their personal interests.

III. After-hours restrictions.

(a) Taking a second paid job that conflicts with the duties of your municipal job is prohibited. (See Section 23(b)(1))

A municipal employee may not accept other paid employment if the responsibilities of the second job are incompatible with his or her municipal job.

Example: A police officer may not work as a paid private security guard in the town where he serves because the demands of his private employment would conflict with his duties as a police officer.

(b) Divided loyalties. Receiving pay from anyone other than the city or town to work on a matter involving the city or town is prohibited. Acting as agent or attorney for anyone other than the city or town in a matter involving the city or town is also prohibited whether or not you are paid. (See Sec. 17)

Because cities and towns are entitled to the undivided loyalty of their employees, a municipal employee may not be paid by other people and organizations in relation to a matter if the city or town has an interest in the matter. In addition, a municipal employee may not act on behalf of other people and organizations or act as an attorney for other people and organizations in which the town has an interest. Acting as agent includes

contacting the municipality in person, by phone, or in writing; acting as a liaison; providing documents to the city or town; and serving as spokesman.

A municipal employee may always represent his own personal interests, even before his own municipal agency or board, on the same terms and conditions that other similarly situated members of the public would be allowed to do so. A municipal employee may also apply for building and related permits on behalf of someone else and be paid for doing so, unless he works for the permitting agency, or an agency which regulates the permitting agency.

Example of violation: A full-time health agent submits a septic system plan that she has prepared for a private client to the town's board of health.

Example of violation: A planning board member represents a private client before the board of selectmen on a request that town meeting consider rezoning the client's property.

While many municipal employees earn their livelihood in municipal jobs, some municipal employees volunteer their time to provide services to the town or receive small stipends. Others, such as a private attorney who provides legal services to a town as needed, may serve in a position in which they may have other personal or private employment during normal working hours. In recognition of the need not to unduly restrict the ability of town volunteers and part-time employees to earn a living, the law is less restrictive for "special" municipal employees than for other municipal employees.

The status of "special" municipal employee has to be assigned to a municipal position by vote of the board of selectmen, city council, or similar body. A position is eligible to be designated as "special" if it is unpaid, or if it is part-time and the employee is allowed to have another job during normal working hours, or if the employee was not paid for working more than 800 hours during the preceding 365 days. It is the position that is designated as "special" and not the person or persons holding the position. Selectmen in towns of 10,000 or fewer are automatically "special"; selectman in larger towns cannot be "specials."

If a municipal position has been designated as "special," an employee holding that position may be paid by others, act on behalf of others, and act as attorney for others with respect to matters before municipal boards other than his own, provided that he has not officially participated in the matter, and the matter is not now, and has not within the past year been, under his official responsibility.

Example: A school committee member who has been designated as a special municipal employee appears before the board of health on behalf of a client of his private law practice, on a matter that he has not participated in or had responsibility for as a school committee member. There is no conflict. However, he may not appear before the school

committee, or the school department, on behalf of a client because he has official responsibility for any matter that comes before the school committee. This is still the case even if he has recused himself from participating in the matter in his official capacity.

Example: A member who sits as an alternate on the conservation commission is a special municipal employee. Under town by-laws, he only has official responsibility for matters assigned to him. He may represent a resident who wants to file an application with the conservation commission as long as the matter is not assigned to him and he will not participate in it.

(c) Inside track. Being paid by your city or town, directly or indirectly, under some second arrangement in addition to your job is prohibited, unless an exemption applies. (See Section 20)

A municipal employee generally may not have a financial interest in a municipal contract, including a second municipal job. A municipal employee is also generally prohibited from having an indirect financial interest in a contract that the city or town has with someone else. This provision is intended to prevent municipal employees from having an “inside track” to further financial opportunities.

Example of violation: Legal counsel to the town housing authority becomes the acting executive director of the authority, and is paid in both positions.

Example of violation: A selectman buys a surplus truck from the town DPW.

Example of violation: A full-time secretary for the board of health wants to have a second paid job working part-time for the town library. She will violate Section 20 unless she can meet the requirements of an exemption.

Example of violation: A city councilor wants to work for a non-profit that receives funding under a contract with her city. Unless she can satisfy the requirements of an exemption under Section 20, she cannot take the job.

There are numerous exemptions. A municipal employee may hold multiple unpaid or elected positions. Some exemptions apply only to special municipal employees. Specific exemptions may cover serving as an unpaid volunteer in a second town position, housing-related benefits, public safety positions, certain elected positions, small towns, and other specific situations. Please call the Ethics Commission’s Legal Division for advice about a specific situation.

IV. After you leave municipal employment. (See Section 18)

(a) Forever ban. After you leave your municipal job, you may never work for anyone other than the municipality on a matter that you worked on as a municipal employee.

If you participated in a matter as a municipal employee, you cannot ever be paid to work on that same matter for anyone other than the municipality, nor may you act for someone else, whether paid or not. The purpose of this restriction is to bar former employees from selling to private interests their familiarity with the facts of particular matters that are of continuing concern to their former municipal employer. The restriction does not prohibit former municipal employees from using the expertise acquired in government service in their subsequent private activities.

Example of violation: A former school department employee works for a contractor under a contract that she helped to draft and oversee for the school department.

(b) One year cooling-off period. For one year after you leave your municipal job you may not participate in any matter over which you had official responsibility during your last two years of public service.

Former municipal employees are barred for one year after they leave municipal employment from personally appearing before any agency of the municipality in connection with matters that were under their authority in their prior municipal positions during the two years before they left.

Example: An assistant town manager negotiates a three-year contract with a company. The town manager who supervised the assistant, and had official responsibility for the contract but did not participate in negotiating it, leaves her job to work for the company to which the contract was awarded. The former manager may not call or write the town in connection with the company's work on the contract for one year after leaving the town.

A former municipal employee who participated as such in general legislation on expanded gaming and related matters may not become an officer or employee of, or acquire a financial interest in, an applicant for a gaming license, or a gaming licensee, for one year after his public employment ceases.

(c) Partners. Your partners will be subject to restrictions while you serve as a municipal employee and after your municipal service ends.

Partners of municipal employees and former municipal employees are also subject to restrictions under the conflict of interest law. If a municipal employee participated in a matter, or if he has official responsibility for a matter, then his partner may not act on behalf of anyone other than the municipality or provide services as an attorney to anyone but the city or town in relation to the matter.

Example: While serving on a city's historic district commission, an architect reviewed an application to get landmark status for a building. His partners at his architecture firm may not prepare and sign plans for the owner of the building or otherwise act on the owner's behalf in relation to the application for landmark status. In addition, because the architect has official responsibility as a commissioner for every matter that comes before the commission, his partners may not communicate with the commission or otherwise act on behalf of any client on any matter that comes before the commission during the time that the architect serves on the commission.

Example: A former town counsel joins a law firm as a partner. Because she litigated a lawsuit for the town, her new partners cannot represent any private clients in the lawsuit for one year after her job with the town ended.

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This summary is not intended to be legal advice and, because it is a summary, it does not mention every provision of the conflict law that may apply in a particular situation. Our website, <http://www.mass.gov/ethics>, contains further information about how the law applies in many situations. You can also contact the Commission's Legal Division via our website, by telephone, or by letter. Our contact information is at the top of this document.

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I, _____ of _____
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An employee of the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District, hereby acknowledge that I received a copy of the summary of the conflict of interest law for municipal employees, revised November 14, 2016, on _____.

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