



Church Recommendation - Confidential Information

Applicant _____ Degree/Program _____

The Family Education and Privacy Act of 1974 gives you the right to inspect letters of recommendation written in support of applications for admission. The act also permits you to waive your right to see letters of recommendation.

I waive my right to inspect this letter.

Signature of Applicant

Date

I do not waive my right to inspect this letter.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Please note: This letter will not be considered unless dated and signed by the applicant.

The above named student is seeking admission to Bethany Theological Seminary. You have been asked to provide an evaluation to help the admissions committee determine whether or not the applicant should be admitted. We request your candid appraisal of the applicant's capacity for graduate study and ministry service following graduation. After the committee has made its decision, this reference and all others submitted on the applicant's behalf will be destroyed, and it will therefore not be part of the student's educational record if he or she matriculates at Bethany.

Recommender's Name _____ Position _____

Church Name: _____

Address _____

Email Address _____ Day Phone _____

(Note: you are welcome to attach a letter addressing the questions below, if you so desire, rather than writing or typing on this form.)

1) How long, and in what capacity have you known this applicant?

Please rate the applicant for each of the following characteristics. Comments, in addition to the rankings, are invited.

2) Character and emotional maturity: high 6 5 4 3 2 1 low don't know _____
Comments:

3) Level of applicant's congregational involvement: high 6 5 4 3 2 1 low don't know _____
Comments:

4) Depth of applicant's awareness and discernment of faith issues: high 6 5 4 3 2 1 low don't know _____
Comments:

5) Potential for service and leadership in the church: high 6 5 4 3 2 1 low don't know _____
Comments:

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6) Please provide a brief statement of strengths the applicant would bring to a degree program.

7) Please provide a brief statement of anything that might prove difficult for the applicant related to a degree program.

8) Additional comments that may be helpful to the admissions committee.

9) Overall recommendation of applicant:

Highly recommend Recommend Recommend with reservation Do not recommend

Additional Comments:

Signed _____ Date _____

Return directly to the Admissions Office of Bethany Theological Seminary at the address below: