

## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PUBLIC TRUST POSITIONS

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Carefully read this authorization to release information about you, then sign and date.

**I Authorize** any investigator, special agent, or other duly accredited representative of the authorized Federal agency conducting my background investigation or reinvestigation to obtain any information relating to my activities, conduct and character from individuals, schools, residential management agents, employers, criminal justice agencies, credit bureaus, consumer reporting agencies, collection agencies, retail business establishments, or other sources of information. This information may include, but is not limited to, current and historic academic, residential, achievement, performance, attendance, disciplinary, employment, criminal, financial and credit information, and publicly available social media information. I authorize the Federal agency conducting my investigation, or reinvestigation, or performing continuous vetting, to disclose the record of investigation to the requesting agency for the purpose of making a determination of suitability or eligibility for a public trust position.

**I Understand** that, for these purposes, publicly available social media information includes any electronic social media information that has been published or broadcast for public consumption, is available on request to the public, is accessible on-line to the public, is available to the public by subscription or purchase, or is otherwise lawfully accessible to the public. I further understand that this authorization does not require me to provide passwords; log into a private account; or take any action that would disclose non-publicly available social media information.

**I Authorize** the Social Security Administration (SSA) to verify my Social Security Number (to match my name, Social Security Number, and date of birth with information in SSA records and provide the results of the match) to the United States Office of Personnel Management (OPM) or other Federal agency requesting or conducting my investigation for the purposes outlined above. I authorize SSA to provide explanatory information to OPM, or to the other Federal agency requesting or conducting my investigation, in the event of a discrepancy.

**I Understand** that, for financial or lending institutions, medical institutions, hospitals, health care professionals, and other sources of information, separate specific releases may be needed, and I may be contacted for such releases at a later date.

**I Authorize** any investigator, special agent, or other duly accredited representative of the OPM, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of Defense, the Department of Homeland Security, and the Department of State, and any other authorized Federal agency, to request criminal record information about me from criminal justice agencies for the purpose of determining my eligibility for assignment to, or retention in, a public trust position, in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 9101. I understand that I may request a copy of such records as may be available to me under the law.

**I Authorize** custodians of records and other sources of information pertaining to me to release such information upon request of the investigator, special agent, or other duly accredited representative of any Federal agency authorized above regardless of any previous agreement to the contrary.

**I Understand** that the information released by records custodians and sources of information is for official use by the Federal Government only for the purposes provided in this Standard Form 85P, and that it may be disclosed by the Government only as authorized by law.

**I Authorize** the information to be used to conduct officially sanctioned and approved suitability-related studies and analyses, which will be maintained in accordance with the Privacy Act.

Photocopies of this authorization with my signature are valid. This authorization is valid for five(5) years from the date signed or upon termination of my affiliation with the Federal Government, whichever is sooner.

Signature ( <i>Sign in ink</i> )		Full name ( <i>Type or print legibly</i> )			Date signed ( <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i> )
Other names used				Date of birth	Social Security Number
Current street address Apt. #	City ( <i>Country</i> )	State	ZIP Code	Telephone number	