

The above named person has applied for housing or is a current resident of housing managed and operated by _____. The Department of Justice ("DOJ") and the Department of Urban Development ("HUD") are jointly responsible for enforcing federal fair housing laws.

Fair housing laws allow individuals who have a mental or physical disability, which substantially limits a major life function, to request that a housing provider grant him/her a reasonable modification and/or accommodation in rules, policies, procedures or practices. Federal regulations allow a housing provider to verify information that is used in determining an individual's eligibility.

The above named individual has identified you as a professional that can verify and provide opinion regarding his/her requested accommodation. We ask your cooperation in providing information and returning it to the requesting organization listed at the top of the page. Your prompt return of this information will help assure timely processing of the application for assistance. The applicant/tenant has consented to this release of information as shown below.

RELEASE: I hereby authorize the release of the requested information. Information obtained under this consent is limited to information that is no older than 12 months.

Tenant

Date

TO BE COMPLETED BY VERIFIER ONLY

Definition of "Disabled"

Under Federal Law, an individual is disabled if he/she has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities; has a record of such impairment, or is regarded as having such impairment. "Life activities" have been defined, but are not limited to, caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning and working. "Substantially limits" means more than a minor inconvenience or slight limitation. The term "physical or mental impairment" includes, but is not limited to, such diseases and conditions as orthopedic, visual, speech, and hearing impairments, cerebral palsy, autism, epilepsy, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis, cancer, heart disease, diabetes, Human Immune Deficiency Virus infection, mental retardation, emotional illness, drug addiction, and alcoholism. This definition doesn't include any individual who is a drug addict and is currently

using illegal drugs or an alcoholic who poses a direct threat to property or safety because of alcohol use.

1. Is the above named individual disabled as defined above?

Yes No

If no, please describe why not: _____

2. Are you professionally licensed and authorized to provide such a diagnosis in the State of Ohio?

Yes No

If no, please describe why not: _____

3. Have you treated or evaluated the above named individual(s) within the last twelve months?

Yes No

If no, please describe why not: _____

4. In your professional opinion, is the requested accommodation necessary to achieve lease compliance or is it necessary to provide the Resident or household member the same opportunity that a non-disabled Resident has to use and enjoy housing? (Note: the concept of necessity requires at a minimum the showing that the desired accommodation will affirmatively enhance a disabled resident's quality of life by ameliorating affects of the disability.)

Yes No

