Supplement 07 Sample Authorization and Release Form

I authorize and request the companies, ministries, and organizations identified on Exhibit A (the Organizations), including any members of the Organizations, to share with [Your church or Ministry's Name] (the Church) information and opinions of any kind related to my employment, volunteer work, or other service with the Organizations.

I release the Organizations and their members from any restrictions which might otherwise make the information or opinions confidential or privileged.

I also release the Organizations, their members, and the Church from any liability and any claim for damages I might have because of this request for information and opinions, or because of the information and opinions which are shared because of this request.

I understand that the Church is considering me for a position of ministry. I am giving permission to the Organizations and their members to share information and opinions of a religious and ecclesiastical nature arising out of my previous ministry.

I have read this Authorization and Release Form and had the option and opportunity to consult with my attorney about it. I am signing this Authorization and Release Form willingly and with full understanding that I am waiving some of my legal rights.

 Signature	of Applicant
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_____Name of Applicant (Printed)

Exhibit A: List of Reference Organizations

Organization Name, Supervisor, Contact Address, Email, Phone Number