

**CONSUMER DISCLOSURE AND AUTHORIZATION REGARDING
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Disclosure

Southern Methodist University may request from a consumer reporting agency and for employment-related purposes, a “consumer report(s)” (commonly known as “background reports”) containing background information about you in connection with your employment or application for employment (including independent contractor or volunteer assignments, as applicable).

HireRight, Inc. (“HireRight”) will prepare or assemble the background reports for the Southern Methodist University. HireRight is located and can be contacted at 3349 Michelson Drive, Suite 150, Irvine, CA 92612, (800) 400-2761, www.hireright.com.

The background report(s) may contain information concerning your character, general reputation, personal characteristics, mode of living, or credit standing. The types of background information that may be obtained include, but are not limited to: criminal history; litigation history; motor vehicle record and accident history; social security number verification; address and alias history; credit history; verification of your education, employment and earnings history; professional licensing, credential and certification checks; drug/alcohol testing results and history; military service; and other information.

Authorization

I hereby authorize Southern Methodist University to obtain the consumer reports described above about me.

Applicant Name _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

**OTHER DISCLOSURES, ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & AUTHORIZATION REGARDING
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Investigative Consumer Report:

An “investigative consumer report” is a background report that includes information from personal interviews (except in California, where that term includes background reports with or without information obtained from personal interviews), the most common form of which is checking personal or professional references through personal interviews with sources such as your former employers and associates, and other information sources. The investigative consumer report may contain information concerning your character, general reputation, or personal characteristics. You may request more information about the nature and scope of an investigative consumer report, if any, by contacting Southern Methodist University.

Ongoing Authorization:

If Southern Methodist University hires you or contracts for your services, Southern Methodist University may obtain additional consumer reports and investigative consumer reports about you without asking for your authorization again, throughout your employment or your contract period, as allowed by law.

Summary of Rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act:

A summary of your rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act is being provided to you separately.

HireRight Privacy Policy:

Information about HireRight’s privacy practices is available at www.hireright.com/Privacy-Policy.aspx.

Para información en español, visite <http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore> o escribe a la Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington DC 205

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A Summary of Your Rights Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act

The federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) promotes the accuracy, fairness, and privacy of information in the files of consumer reporting agencies. There are many types of consumer reporting agencies, including credit bureaus and specialty agencies (such as agencies that sell information about check writing histories, medical records, and rental history records). Here is a summary of your major rights under the FCRA. **For more information, including information about additional rights, go to www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore or write to: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20552.**

- **You must be told if information in your file has been used against you.** Anyone who uses a credit report or another type of consumer report to deny your application for credit, insurance, or employment - or to take another adverse action against you - must tell you, and must give you the name, address, and phone number of the agency that provided the information.
- **You have the right to know what is in your file.** You may request and obtain all the information about you in the files of a consumer reporting agency (your “file disclosure”). You will be required to provide proper identification, which may include your Social Security number. In many cases, the disclosure will be free. You are entitled to a free file disclosure if:
 - a person has taken adverse action against you because of information in your credit report;
 - you are the victim of identity theft and place a fraud alert in your file;
 - your file contains inaccurate information as a result of fraud;
 - you are on public assistance;
 - you are unemployed but expect to apply for employment within 60 days.
- In addition, all consumers are entitled to one free disclosure every 12 months upon request from each nationwide credit bureau and from nationwide specialty consumer reporting agencies. See www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore for additional information.
- **You have the right to ask for a credit score.** Credit scores are numerical summaries of your credit-worthiness based on information from credit bureaus. You may request a credit score from consumer reporting agencies that create scores or distribute scores used in residential real property loans, but you will have to pay for it. In some mortgage transactions, you will receive credit score information for free from the mortgage lender.
- **You have the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information.** If you identify information in your file that is incomplete or inaccurate, and report it to the consumer reporting agency, the agency must investigate unless your dispute is frivolous. See www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore for an explanation of dispute procedures.
- **Consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information.** Inaccurate, incomplete or unverifiable information must be removed or corrected, usually within 30 days. However, a consumer reporting agency may continue to report information it has verified as accurate.

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- Consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information. In most cases, a consumer reporting agency may not report negative information that is more than seven years old, or bankruptcies that are more than 10 years old.
- Access to your file is limited. A consumer reporting agency may provide information about you only to people with a valid need -- usually to consider an application with a creditor, insurer, employer, landlord, or other business. The FCRA specifies those with a valid need for access.
- **You must give your consent for reports to be provided to employers.** A consumer reporting agency may not give out information about you to your employer, or a potential employer, without your written consent given to the employer. Written consent generally is not required in the trucking industry. For more information, go to www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore.
- **You may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report.** Unsolicited "prescreened" offers for credit and insurance must include a toll-free phone number you can call if you choose to remove your name and address from the lists these offers are based on. You may opt-out with the nationwide credit bureaus at 1-888-567-8688.
- **You may seek damages from violators.** If a consumer reporting agency, or, in some cases, a user of consumer reports or a furnisher of information to a consumer reporting agency violates the FCRA, you may be able to sue in state or federal court.
- **Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights.** For more information, visit www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore.

States may enforce the FCRA, and many states have their own consumer reporting laws. In some cases, you may have more rights under state law. For more information, contact your state or local consumer protection agency or your state Attorney General. For Information about your Federal rights contact:

TYPE OF BUSINESS:	CONTACT:
1. a. Banks, savings associations, and credit unions with total assets of over \$10 billion and their affiliates.	a. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau 1700 G Street NW Washington, DC 20552
b. Such affiliates that are not banks, savings associations, or credit unions also should list, in addition to the CFPB:	b. Federal Trade Commission: Consumer Response Center – FCRA Washington, DC 20580 (877) 382-4357

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<p>2. To the extent not included in item 1 above:</p> <p>a. National banks, federal savings associations and federal branches and federal agencies of foreign banks</p> <p>b. State member banks, branches and agencies of foreign banks (other than federal branches, federal agencies and Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks), commercial lending companies owned or controlled by foreign banks, and organizations operating under section 25 or 25A of the Federal Reserve Act</p> <p>c. Nonmember Insured Banks, Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks, and insured state savings associations</p> <p>d. Federal Credit Unions</p>	<p>a. Office of the Comptroller of the Currency Customer Assistance Group 1301 McKinney Street, Suite 3450 Houston, TX 77010-9050</p> <p>b. Federal Reserve Consumer Help Center PO Box 1200 Minneapolis, MN 55480</p> <p>c. FDIC Consumer Response Center 1100 Walnut St., Box #11 Kansas City, MO 64106</p> <p>d. National Credit Union Administration Office of Consumer Protection (OCP) Division of Consumer Compliance and Outreach (DCCO) 1775 Duke Street</p>
<p>3. Air carriers</p>	<p>Asst. General Counsel for Aviation Enforcement & Proceedings Aviation Consumer Protection Division Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E. Washington, DC 20590</p>
<p>4. Creditors Subject to Surface Transportation Board</p>	<p>Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board</p>
	<p>Department of Transportation 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20423</p>
<p>5. Creditors Subject to Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921</p>	<p>Nearest Packers and Stockyards Administration area Supervisor</p>
<p>6. Small Business Investment Companies</p>	<p>Associate Deputy Administrator for Capital Access United States Small Business Administration 409 Third Street, SW, 8th Floor Washington, DC 20416</p>
<p>7. Brokers and Dealers</p>	<p>Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20549</p>
<p>8. Federal Land Banks, Federal Land Bank Associations, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks and Production Credit Associations</p>	<p>Farm Credit Administration 1501 Farm Credit Drive McLean, VA 22102-5090</p>
<p>9. Retailers, Finance Companies, and All Other Creditors Not Listed Above</p>	<p>FTC Regional Office for region in which the creditor operates <u>or</u> Federal Trade Commission: Consumer Response Center - FCRA Washington, DC 20580 (877) 382-4357</p>



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Please complete, sign and return this form to SMU Human Resources by:

Fax: 214-768-2299

By e-mail: recruitu@smu.edu

In person: 6116 N. Central Expressway, 2nd floor, Suite 200. Dallas, TX 75206

Name of Department Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Department/School: _____

If you have questions, please contact the Department of Human Resources at 214-768-3311

PERSONAL DATA - Fill out the following information completely and accurately. Please print or type.				
(First Name)		(Middle Name)		(Last Name)
Other names you have ever used (Maiden, Adoption, etc.)				
(Current Address)		(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
(Phone Number)		(E-mail address - may be used for official correspondence)		
If you haven't lived at your current address for the past 7 years, list the other addresses you've lived at during the past 7 years.				
(Address)	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)	(Dates of Residence)
The following information is required by law enforcement agencies and other entities for positive identification purposes when checking public records. It is confidential and will not be used for any other purposes.				
(Social Security #)		(Date of Birth)		(Driver's License # and State)
If you've held a Driver's License in another state please list.				
(Driver's License # and State)			(Driver's License # and State)	
Education Details for Education Verification				
Please check the highest education level completed. Do not include degrees in progress.				
<input type="checkbox"/> HS Diploma or Equivalent <input type="checkbox"/> Associate Level Degree Major: _____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor's Level Degree Major: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Master's Level Degree Major: _____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Doctorate, Specify degree: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____				
(Name of School)			(City)	(State)
(Name on Diploma/Degree at the time it was awarded)			(Graduation Date - Month/Year)	

HUMAN RESOURCES USE ONLY:

Home Base Org: _____ Department: _____

- Temporary Staff
 Adjunct Faculty
 Regular Staff
 Regular Faculty
 Volunteer/Non-Employee



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I acknowledge that I have received and carefully read and understand the separate "Disclosure and Authorization Regarding Background Investigation for Employment Purposes"; and the separate "Summary of Rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act" that have been provided to me by Southern Methodist University.

By my signature below, I authorize the preparation of background reports about me, including background reports that are "investigative consumer reports" by HireRight, and to the furnishing of such background reports to Southern Methodist University and its designated representatives and agents, for the purpose of assisting Southern Methodist University in making a determination as to my eligibility for employment (including independent contractor or volunteer assignments, as applicable), promotion, retention or for other lawful employment purposes. I understand that if Southern Methodist hires me or contracts for my services, my consent will apply, and Southern Methodist University may, as allowed by law, obtain from HireRight (or from a consumer reporting agency other than HireRight) additional background reports pertaining to me, without asking for my authorization again, throughout my employment or contract period.

I understand that if Southern Methodist University obtains a credit report about me, then it will only do so where such information is substantially related to the duties and responsibilities of the position in which I am engaged or for which I am being evaluated.

I understand that information contained in my employment (or contractor or volunteer) application, or otherwise disclosed by me before or during my employment (or contract or volunteer assignment), if any, may be used for the purpose of obtaining and evaluating background reports on me. I also understand that nothing herein shall be construed as an offer of employment or contract for services.

I understand that the information included in the background reports may be obtained from private and public record sources, including without limitation and as appropriate: government agencies and courthouses; educational institutions; and employers. Accordingly, I hereby authorize all of the following, to disclose information about me to the consumer reporting agency and its agents: law enforcement and all other federal, state and local government agencies and courts; educational institutions (public or private); testing agencies; information service bureaus; credit bureaus and other consumer reporting agencies; other public and private record/data repositories; motor vehicle records agencies; my employers; the military; and all other individuals and sources with any information about or concerning me. The information that can be disclosed to the consumer reporting agency and its agents includes, but is not limited to, information concerning my: employment and earnings history; education, credit, motor vehicle and accident history; drug/alcohol testing results and history; criminal history; litigation history; military service; professional licenses, credentials and certifications; social security number verification; address and alias history; and other information.

By my signature below, I also promise that the personal information I provide with this form or otherwise in connection with my background investigation is true, accurate and complete, and I understand that dishonesty or material omission may disqualify me from consideration for employment. I agree that a copy of this document in faxed, photocopied or electronic (including electronically signed) form will be valid like the signed original.

Applicant Last Name _____ First _____ Middle _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____