

Reference Form
Applicant for Candidacy for the Gospel Ministry
Candidates Committee, Catawba Valley Presbytery, PCA

To apply for Candidacy, please make two copies of this form. Give one to the elder who has most closely supervised you in a ministry capacity and one to a person who has been a recipient of your ministry. Ask them to respond to the following questions regarding your qualifications for ministry. Ask them to complete this form and email it to the chairman of the candidates committee by the due date for the meeting at which you wish to be considered for candidacy. The name and contact information of the chairman are available on the CVP website, www.cvppca.org

Applicant's name: _____ Date: _____

Reference's name: _____ Phone: _____

As a reference for the applicant, would you please share with the committee the following confidential information? Please use more paper, if necessary. Thank you.

- 1) How long you have known the applicant?
- 2) What could you tell us about his relationship with Jesus Christ?
- 3) What could you tell us about his relationship with his wife and children? (If applicable)
- 4) Please comment on his ability to relate to people.
- 5) How have you seen him handle criticism?
- 6) How have you seen him handle conflict?
- 7) Please comment on his emotional stability.
- 8) To what extent does he follow through with his promises and commitments?
- 9) How successful is he in explaining things to others?
- 10) What would you say is his relationship with money?
- 11) What could you say about his readiness to serve others, or his tendency to expect others to serve him?
- 12) Do you have any reservations in recommending this man as a candidate for the ordained ministry? If yes, explain.
- 13) Would you be willing to be contacted by the Candidates Committee, if we have further questions?
- 14) Is there anything else you would like to share?

Reference's Signature: _____ If Applicant's Pastor, check here: ___
After completion, please mail to the committee, using the envelope provided for you by the applicant. Thank you.