

ORPHAN / WARD OF THE COURT / IN GUARDIANSHIP VALIDATION  
2025-2026

Name \_\_\_\_\_ NCSC I.D. \_\_\_\_\_

**I am an orphan; both of my parents are deceased.**

*Provide copies of death certificates, obituaries, or other official documents which confirm death.*

Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of death \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of death \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been legally adopted?     Yes     No    If yes, for your adoptive parents:

Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of death \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of death \_\_\_\_\_

**I was in foster care at some time after my 13<sup>th</sup> birthday.**

*Provide a copy of the court decree which established foster care placement.*

**I was a ward of the court at some time after my 13<sup>th</sup> birthday.** Note that being incarcerated does not make you a ward of the court.

*Provide a copy of the court decree which established wardship.*

**I am/was placed in legal guardianship by a court of law.** Note that legal custody is not the same as guardianship.

*Provide a copy of the court decree which established guardianship.*

**I have been determined to be an emancipated minor by a court of law.**

*Provide a copy of the court decree which established emancipation.*

**I have been determined, as of or after July 1, 2024, to be an unaccompanied youth who is homeless.**

1. *If you are a current High School Student, please provide documentation from your high school or school district homeless liaison, OR*

2. *Provide documentation from the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban development.*

**I have been determined, as of or after July 1, 2024, to be an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or to be self-supporting AND at risk of being homeless.**

*Provide documentation from the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program.*

**Certification**

All information I report here, and all documentation I provide to confirm what I report here, is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if I knowingly give, or allow others to give, false or misleading information to qualify me for Federal student aid, I may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_