

**Sample County “Ward of the Court” Verification Language
For the Purposes of Federal Financial Aid**

Re: Billy Bob

DOB: 3/25/1980

SSN: 318-80-8223

Current Mailing Address:

County Contact Number:

County Identification Number:

Start Date of Wardship: 8/25/1982

Close Date of Wardship: 3/26/1998

This letter is to confirm that Billy Bob was a “ward of the court” until the age of 18 under Los Angeles County from 8/25/1990 to 3/26/1998. This means that Billy is considered a “ward of the court” for the purposes of answering the FAFSA question regarding, “Are you (a) an orphan or (b) are you (or were you until age 18) a ward/dependent of the court?” Billy was placed in out-of-home care. The Financial Aid Administrator does not need to question the student about their unusually low income since the student’s support comes from the State.

Please Note: The FAFSA Application and Verification Guide states that “**Payments and services received from states for foster care or adoption assistance**, under Part A or Part E of Title IV of the Social Security Act” are not to be reported on Worksheet B of the FAFSA (AVG p.17).

Signature

Date

Print Name