Reference Release

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I hereby authorize First Southern Baptist Church of Durango, Colorado to verify all information contained in my application or other written communications, including information from all former churches in which I have served as a pastor, been a member, or been ordained.

I recognize that this verification process will include confidential contacts with former church officers, members, pastoral colleagues, associational and state-convention personnel, colleges, universities, and seminaries, as well as other business and professional references.

I further authorize that any personnel at former places of employment, churches, or references may disclose any and all information about my work history, personal characteristics, salary, work habits, or other areas of importance to this organization.

Furthermore, I waive the right to take legal action against the aforementioned churches, their members and officers, or references for releasing such requested information.

I understand this authorization form and agree to the release and verification of the aforementioned information.

Printed Name		
Signature	Date	

Note: First Southern Baptist Church may elect to complete background checks and credit report for Candidate(s) elected for interview in view of a call.