**Commissioned Local Pastor or Chaplain Program**

**Reference Form for Applicant**

(Please fill this out on a computer. Please use 12 point type.)

Applicant’s Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Length of time known person: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The person named above is seeking admission to the Commissioned Local Pastor / Commissioned Local Chaplain Program. The Committee on Preparation for Ministry would appreciate your candid response to the following questions:

1. To what extent does the applicant adhere to Christ’s teachings?
2. What is your experience of the applicant’s commitment to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)?
3. What special gifts, talents and skills does the applicant exhibit for service as a Commissioned Local Pastor?
4. What is the most recent example of the applicant’s service to the church?
5. If the applicant were your Commissioned Local Pastor, what specific areas would you wish him or her to improve?
6. If you are a teaching elder and a member of the Presbytery of Riverside, would you be willing to serve as the applicant’s mentor, if asked?

Please type your responses using the amount of paper you feel necessary. Send your responses directly to the Committee on Preparation for Ministry at the following address:

**The Presbytery of Riverside**

**Attn: CPM**

**PO Box 1165, Redlands, CA 92373**

**Or riversidepresbytery.info@riversidepresbytery.com and**

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