

# 2023-2024 Professional Judgment Request

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Name of Student(PLEASE PRINT)			
Phone#:	Email:		
Student ID R #	SSN (La	ast 4 Digits)	

Deadline to submit: Fall 2023 semester (July 14<sup>th</sup>) or Spring 2024 semester (Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>)

Through the use of Professional Judgment, the Financial Aid Office **may** be able to make adjustments to your FAFSA which **could** result in a recalculation of aid eligibility at Richard Bland College. All Professional Judgment cases are reviewed on a case by case basis and is valid for one academic year. Review of the judgement does not guarantee a result in any additional financial aid. **All decisions are final**.

All documentation required must be attached. Incomplete information and telephone requests will not be accepted. Please **NOTE** the student/and or parent(s) have the primary responsibility for any financial obligation that may exist prior to the completion of the review process.

## **Response and Turnaround Time:**

Please allow at least 3 weeks for a response. During peak processing times (January through May), it may take 4-6 weeks for an appeal to be reviewed by the committee. The student and parent will be informed of the decision by e-mail to the e-mail address indicated above.

The following cases are accepted at Richard Bland College. Please circle the case that applies to your situation and include a detailed letter with your request.

## **□Dependency Status Override**

- Letter from student
- A detailed letter from a third-party source familiar with your family circumstances. The source must be a teacher, minister, lawyer, physician, counselor, social worker or other professional who is willing to verify your circumstances.
- Student's 2021 tax return or other documentation of resources or in-kind support
- Parent tax return (2021 and 2022)
- A copy of *ALL* living expenses such as utility bills (light, telephone, gas), house/apartment lease, vehicle insurance, etc.
- Court documents

# □Loss /Reduction in Employment (Unemployment must be for at least <u>ten weeks</u> before an Appeal will be considered.)

- A letter from the former employer on company letterhead detailing the employee's termination/separation date
- Notice of severance/pay-out
- Notice of unemployment benefits
- A copy of the employee's year-to-date pay stub
- A copy of the current year tax forms and W-2's

# □Loss /Reduction of Income or Benefits

- A copy of a letter from the appropriate state or federal agency that specifies the termination date and the
  amount of benefits received, such as Social Security benefits, Unemployment Benefits, Child Support,
  etc.
- A benefits schedule/documentation

#### □Divorce or Separation

- A copy of the divorce decree or separation agreement (preferably from a lawyer).
- Documentation indicating that the divorce or separated parties have been living separately and have incurred their own living expenses (i.e. utility bills, lease, etc.).
- A copy of the current tax forms and W-2 Forms

### **□Death of Parent or Spouse**

- A copy of the death certificate or obituary
- A detailed letter from a third-party source familiar with your family circumstances. The source must be a teacher, minister, lawyer, physician, counselor, social worker or other professional who is willing to verify your circumstances.
- A copy of the current tax forms and W-2 Forms

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