

## **Credentialing Release of Information Authorization**

In order for the <u>VA Maryland Health Care System</u> to access and verify my educational background, professional qualifications and suitability for appointment, I hereby authorize the <u>VA Maryland Health Care System</u> to make inquiries and consult with all persons, places of employment, education, malpractice carriers, State licensing boards, or other similar government and non-governmental entities who have or may have information bearing on my moral, ethical and professional qualifications and competence to carry out the privileges and/or position I am seeking.

I consent to the release of information about my ability and fitness for Federal appointment and I authorize release of such information and copies of related records and/or documents to VA officials to include not only the requested information for verification but information concerning each lawsuit, civil action, or other claim brought against me for malpractice or negligence; each disciplinary action under consideration or taken; any open or previously concluded investigations; and any changes in the status of a credential and all supporting documentation related to the information provided.

I authorize the VA to disclose to such persons, employers, institutions, boards or agencies identifying and other information about me sufficient to enable the VA to make such inquiries.

I release from liability all those who provide information to the Department of Veterans Affairs in good faith and without malice in response to such inquiries.

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