This appeal form should be used by students who have lost eligibility for financial aid following a semester on Financial Aid Warning. To initiate a SAP Appeal, please follow the instructions below. If granted, this will allow you to be placed on Financial Aid Probation and receive federal financial aid for one semester. After a Financial Aid Probationary semester, students must meet SAP requirements. Failure to do so will require students to submit another SAP Appeal or fund educational expenses without the use of federal financial aid.

Federal and institutional policies require that students maintain satisfactory academic progress (SAP) to remain eligible for federal financial aid. A qualitative and quantitative standard for SAP exist including, semester and cumulative grade point average, credit hour completion rate, and the maximum time frame allowable for completion of an academic program as a recipient of federal financial aid. The specifics of Mercer Law’s SAP Policy are available online at: http://law.mercer.edu/admissions/financialaid/.

Before a decision can be made concerning your SAP Appeal, you and your Academic Success Advisor must complete an Academic Plan together. If your appeal is granted, you will be expected to meet the enrollment goals set forth each semester. Academically, you are required to obtain an 80.000 GPA or higher at the end of the next academic year you are enrolled at Mercer Law. To receive federal financial aid, you are required to obtain an 80.000 GPA or higher at the end of fall and spring semester of your next academic year. If SAP is not met after your Financial Aid Probation semester, you may appeal again by emailing the Director of Admissions & Financial Aid another SAP Appeal Form and an updated Academic Plan signed and dated by you and your Academic Success Advisor.

INSTRUCTIONS: Email required documents in one email with the subject “Financial Aid Appeal” to the Director of Admissions & Financial Aid, Lindsey Stewart: stewart_l@law.mercer.edu. Include the following:

1. Completed SAP Appeal Form, and
2. Academic Plan, signed and dated by you and your Academic Success Advisor.

Your Petition for Readmission, including supporting documentation, which you submitted to the Admissions Committee, will satisfy the requirement of a brief explanation of the special circumstances that led to your failure to make satisfactory academic progress (SAP) and what has changed in your situation that will allow you to improve and ensure future academic success to make satisfactory progress at the next evaluation.

QUESTIONS? Contact Lindsey Stewart, Director of Admissions & Financial Aid at: (478) 301-5001.

Student Name: ____________________________________________ MUID: __________________

Financial Aid Probation Semester & Year: _____/ _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____/ _____

Academic Success Advisor: (Check One)

☐ Peg McCann, Director of Academic Success (478) 301-5017 or mccann_me@law.mercer.edu

☐ Anne Johnson, Asst. Dir. of Academic Success (478) 301-5030 or johnson_a@law.mercer.edu

I certify that the information provided on this form and any supporting documents are complete and accurate. I agree to the attached Academic Plan. I expect to meet all SAP requirements, if followed, by the end of my Financial Aid Probationary semester.

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Student Signature Date