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Common Law Marriage

Student Last Name	First Name	MI	Student ID Number
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Spouse Last Name	First Name	MI	Student ID/SSN
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**THIS FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED AND THE ORIGINAL MAILED TO THE
OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL PLANNING OF COKER COLLEGE**

The concept of common law marriage is recognized by Alabama, Colorado, District of Columbia, Georgia, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Montana, New Hampshire, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas, and Utah. Within these states, certain restrictions do apply. You need to check your state law to determine your rights, *if any*, that apply to common law marriage. Typically, the necessary elements are co-habitation, declaration of marriage, and representation of you as husband and wife to a third party.

We, the undersigned, attest to the following facts:

- **On (month, day and year), we agreed to live as husband and wife and have co-habited since that time.**
- **We reside in (state).**
- **We profess to be husband and wife, and we hold ourselves out to the community as being married.**
- **We are eighteen years of age or older**
- **There is no legal impediment to our marriage, including but not limited to, a prior marriage of either party that has not been legally terminated by death or divorce.**

Common Law Wife Signature	Date
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Common Law Husband Signature	Date
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**(SEE BACK OF THIS PAGE FOR NOTARY CERTIFICATE OF
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT)**

Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of _____ City/County of _____

On _____, before me, _____
(Date) (Notary's Name)

Personally appeared, _____, and proved to me
(Printed Name of Signers)

on basis of evidence of identification _____
(Type of Government-Issued Photo IDs provided)

To be the above named persons who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal _____
(SEAL) (Notary Signature)

My commission expires on _____
(Date)