



Beneficiary Designation Governmental 457(b) Plan

Charles County Maryland Deferred Compensation Plan

745018-01

For My Information

- For questions regarding this form, visit the website at empowermyretirement.com or contact Service Provider at 1-866-816-4400. Use black or blue ink when completing this form.

A Participant Information

Account extension, if applicable, identifies funds transferred to a beneficiary due to participant's death, alternate payee due to divorce or a participant with multiple accounts.

Account Extension

Social Security Number (Must provide all 9 digits)

Last Name, First Name, M.I., Date of Birth, Daytime Phone Number, Email Address, Alternate Phone Number, Married/Unmarried checkboxes

B Beneficiary Designation (Attach an additional sheet to name additional beneficiaries.)

Primary Beneficiary Designation (Primary beneficiary designations must total 100% - percentage can be made out to two decimal places.)

- If I am married, my Plan requires my spouse to be named as primary beneficiary for 100% of my account balance, or my spouse must consent to my beneficiary designation. See the attached examples on how to complete the below beneficiary designations if the beneficiary is a non-individual, such as a trust, charity or estate.

% of Account Balance, Primary Beneficiary Name, Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number, Date of Birth or Trust Date

Street Address, City, State, Zip Code, Relationship (Spouse, Child, Parent, Grandchild, Sibling, My Estate, A Trust, Other, Domestic Partner)

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Last Name _____

First Name _____

M.I. _____

Social Security Number _____

B Beneficiary Designation *(Attach an additional sheet to name additional beneficiaries.)*

Contingent Beneficiary Designation *(Contingent beneficiary designations must total 100% - percentage can be made out to two decimal places.)*

%			/ /
% of Account Balance	Contingent Beneficiary Name <i>(Name of Individual, Trust, Charity, etc.)</i>	Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number	Date of Birth or Trust Date
Street Address ()	City	State	Zip Code
Phone Number <i>(Optional)</i>	Relationship <i>(Required - If Relationship is not provided, request will be rejected and sent back for clarification.)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Sibling <input type="checkbox"/> My Estate <input type="checkbox"/> A Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partner		
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C Signatures and Consent *(Signatures must be on the lines provided.)*

Participant Consent for Beneficiary Designation *(Please sign on the 'Participant Signature' line below.)*

I have completed, understand and agree to all pages of this Beneficiary Designation form. Subject to the terms of the Plan, I am making the above beneficiary designations for my vested account in the event of my death. I acknowledge and agree that it is my responsibility to monitor the beneficiary designations in my account and to update the beneficiary designations as I deem necessary upon a change in marital status, death of a beneficiary or any other change that may impact my beneficiary designations.

If I have more than one primary beneficiary, the account will be divided as specified. If a primary beneficiary predeceases me, his or her benefit will be allocated to the surviving primary beneficiaries. Contingent beneficiaries will receive a benefit only if there is no surviving primary beneficiary, as specified. If a contingent beneficiary predeceases me, his or her benefit will be allocated to the surviving contingent beneficiaries. If I fail to designate beneficiaries, amounts will be paid pursuant to the terms of the Plan or applicable law. This designation is effective upon execution and delivery to Service Provider. If any information is missing, additional information may be required prior to recording my designation.

This designation supersedes all prior designations. Beneficiaries will share equally if percentages are not provided and any amounts unpaid upon death will be divided equally. **Primary and contingent beneficiaries must separately total 100%. The percentages can be divided up to two decimal points (Example: 33.33%).**

Important Notice: If I am married and I elect a primary beneficiary other than my spouse or in addition to my spouse, my spouse must consent by signing the Spousal Consent for Beneficiary Designation section of this form.

Any person who presents a false or fraudulent claim is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

Participant Signature _____ **Date (Required)** _____

A handwritten signature is required on this form. An electronic signature will not be accepted and will result in a significant delay.

Last Name

First Name

M.I.

Social Security Number

C Signatures and Consent *(Signatures must be on the lines provided.)*

Spousal Consent for Beneficiary Designation *(If applicable, please have the Spouse sign on the 'Spouse's Signature' line below.)*

Spouse to complete: I, *(name of spouse)* _____, the current spouse of the participant, hereby voluntarily consent to the participant's primary beneficiary designation above and understand its effect. I understand that my spouse's beneficiary designation means that I will not receive 100% of his or her vested account balance under the Plan and that my spouse's election is not valid unless I consent to it. I understand that my consent is irrevocable unless my spouse changes the beneficiary designation, or designates me to receive 100% of his or her vested account balance.

Spouse's Signature _____ **Date (Required)** _____

A handwritten signature is required on this form. An electronic signature will not be accepted and will result in a significant delay.

The spouse's signature must be notarized by a Notary Public or witnessed by the participant's Plan Administrator. If a Notary Public is used, the date of the spouse's signature on this form on the Spouse's signature line above must match the date of the Notary Public signature on the separate jurat or notarial certificate or in this section below. Consent must be obtained no more than 180 days prior to the effective date of the original request in order to be effective. If your notary completes a separate jurat or notarial certificate, your spouse must still sign on the above spouse's signature line and enter the date on this form.

ATTENTION Notary Public: Make sure that you have reviewed the notary requirements for your state. If your state requires a separate jurat or notarial certificate, please complete and attach to this request.

We require that the following information must be included on the separate jurat or notarial certificate: (1) name of document being notarized; (2) the plan name; (3) the plan number; and (4) participant's and spouse's names. Separate jurat or notarial certificates submitted that do not include this information will be rejected and will delay the withdrawal request. If your state does require a separate jurat or notarial certificate and you complete the section below, this statement of notary will be rejected and will delay the withdrawal request.

If your state does not require a separate jurat or notarial certificate, you may complete the notary section below.

Statement of Notary

NOTE: Notary seal must be visible.

The consent to this request was subscribed and sworn *(or affirmed)*

State of _____) to before me on this _____ day of _____, year _____, by

SEAL

)ss. *(name of spouse)* _____

County/Parish/Borough

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who appeared before me, who affirmed that such consent represents his/her free and voluntary act.

of _____)

Notary Public's signature _____ My commission expires ____ / ____ / ____

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Notary Public's full name _____ Telephone number _____

Authorized Plan Administrator Signature *(Please sign on the 'Authorized Plan Administrator Signature' line below.)*

I accept the information provided by the participant on this form.

If Spousal Consent notarization is not obtained, I certify that the consent was signed by the spouse of the participant in my presence. The date that I sign this form must match the date the participant's spouse has signed.

Authorized Plan Administrator Signature _____ **Date (Required)** _____

A handwritten signature is required on this form. An electronic signature will not be accepted and will result in a significant delay.

Print Full Name _____

Last Name

First Name

M.I.

Social Security Number

D Delivery Instructions**After all signatures have been obtained, this form can be****Uploaded Electronically:**

Login to account at

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Empower Retirement

PO Box 173764

Denver, CO 80217-3764

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Empower Retirement

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Greenwood Village, CO 80111

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EXAMPLE BENEFICIARY DESIGNATIONS**

Example 1: Multiple Individuals as Beneficiaries

B Beneficiary Designation <i>(Attach an additional sheet to name additional beneficiaries.)</i>			
Primary Beneficiary Designation <i>(Primary beneficiary designations must total 100% - percentage can be made out to two decimal places.)</i>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If I am married, my Plan requires my spouse to be named as primary beneficiary for 100% of my account balance, or my spouse must consent to my beneficiary designation. See the attached examples on how to complete the below beneficiary designations if the beneficiary is a non-individual, such as a trust, charity or estate. 			
33.33 %	John M. Doe	XXX-XX-XXXX	01/06/1954
% of Account Balance	Primary Beneficiary <i>(Name of Individual, Trust, Charity, etc.)</i>	Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number	Date of Birth or Trust Date
111 Elm Street	Anytown	MO	60000
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
(XXX) XXX-XXXX	Relationship <i>(Required - If Relationship is not provided, request will be rejected and sent back for clarification.)</i>		
Phone Number <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sibling <input type="checkbox"/> My Estate <input type="checkbox"/> A Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partner		
33.33 %	Don M. Doe	XXX-XX-XXXX	01/06/1954
% of Account Balance	Primary Beneficiary <i>(Name of Individual, Trust, Charity, etc.)</i>	Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number	Date of Birth or Trust Date
222 North Avenue	Anytown	CA	90000
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
(XXX) XXX-XXXX	Relationship <i>(Required - If Relationship is not provided, request will be rejected and sent back for clarification.)</i>		
Phone Number <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sibling <input type="checkbox"/> My Estate <input type="checkbox"/> A Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partner		
33.34 %	Michelle L. Doe	XXX-XX-XXXX	01/06/1957
% of Account Balance	Primary Beneficiary <i>(Name of Individual, Trust, Charity, etc.)</i>	Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number	Date of Birth or Trust Date
333 West Blvd	Anytown	CO	80000
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
(XXX) XXX-XXXX	Relationship <i>(Required - If Relationship is not provided, request will be rejected and sent back for clarification.)</i>		
Phone Number <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sibling <input type="checkbox"/> My Estate <input type="checkbox"/> A Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partner		

Example 2: Trust as Beneficiary

B Beneficiary Designation <i>(Attach an additional sheet to name additional beneficiaries.)</i>			
Primary Beneficiary Designation <i>(Primary beneficiary designations must total 100% - percentage can be made out to two decimal places.)</i>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If I am married, my Plan requires my spouse to be named as primary beneficiary for 100% of my account balance, or my spouse must consent to my beneficiary designation. See the attached examples on how to complete the below beneficiary designations if the beneficiary is a non-individual, such as a trust, charity or estate. 			
100 %	Trust of Jane Doe	XX-XXXXXXX	06/30/2015
% of Account Balance	Primary Beneficiary <i>(Name of Individual, Trust, Charity, etc.)</i>	Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number	Date of Birth or Trust Date
150 Main Street	Anytown	MO	60000
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
(XXX) XXX-XXXX	Relationship <i>(Required - If Relationship is not provided, request will be rejected and sent back for clarification.)</i>		
Phone Number <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Sibling <input type="checkbox"/> My Estate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partner		

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EXAMPLE BENEFICIARY DESIGNATIONS**

Example 3: Estate as Beneficiary

B Beneficiary Designation <i>(Attach an additional sheet to name additional beneficiaries.)</i>			
Primary Beneficiary Designation <i>(Primary beneficiary designations must total 100% - percentage can be made out to two decimal places.)</i>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If I am married, my Plan requires my spouse to be named as primary beneficiary for 100% of my account balance, or my spouse must consent to my beneficiary designation. • See the attached examples on how to complete the below beneficiary designations if the beneficiary is a non-individual, such as a trust, charity or estate. 			
100 %	Estate of Anne Doe	/ /	
% of Account Balance	Primary Beneficiary <i>(Name of Individual, Trust, Charity, etc.)</i>	Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number	Date of Birth or Trust Date
45 East Road	Anytown	MO	60000
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
(XXX) XXX-XXXX	Relationship <i>(Required - If Relationship is not provided, request will be rejected and sent back for clarification.)</i>		
Phone Number <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Sibling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> My Estate <input type="checkbox"/> A Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partner		

Example 4: Charity as Beneficiary

B Beneficiary Designation <i>(Attach an additional sheet to name additional beneficiaries.)</i>			
Primary Beneficiary Designation <i>(Primary beneficiary designations must total 100% - percentage can be made out to two decimal places.)</i>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If I am married, my Plan requires my spouse to be named as primary beneficiary for 100% of my account balance, or my spouse must consent to my beneficiary designation. • See the attached examples on how to complete the below beneficiary designations if the beneficiary is a non-individual, such as a trust, charity or estate. 			
100 %	ABC Charity	XX-XXXXXXX	/ /
% of Account Balance	Primary Beneficiary <i>(Name of Individual, Trust, Charity, etc.)</i>	Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number	Date of Birth or Trust Date
75 South Place	Anytown	CO	80000
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
(XXX) XXX-XXXX	Relationship <i>(Required - If Relationship is not provided, request will be rejected and sent back for clarification.)</i>		
Phone Number <i>(Optional)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild <input type="checkbox"/> Sibling <input type="checkbox"/> My Estate <input type="checkbox"/> A Trust <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partner		