

## **Beneficiary Designation**

## See Instructions and Important Definitions on Page 3.

Your name (first, middle initial, last)			Last 4 digits of your Social Security number:		SCERSI	SCERSID (for office use only)					
Daytime Phone number		Email address									
Section 1: Beneficiary Designation for Pension Benefit											
Primary%	Name (Last, First) or Full Name of Entity			Mailing Address							
Relationship	Social Security Number	Date of Birth	1	City	State	Zip Code					
Primary% Contingent%	Name (Last, First) or Full Name of Entity			Mailing Address							
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Primary%     Contingent%	Name (Last, First) or Full Name of Entity			Mailing Address							
Relationship	Social Security Number	umber Date of Birth		City	State	Zip Code					
Notarized Signatur	re and Date Required	d									
The statements on this form are true and correct and I understand and consent to the choices made.											
Print Member's Name Signature					···· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
State of County of											
Signed or attested bet individual).	(	date) by			(name of						
						SEAL OR STAMP					
Signature of Notary	Title	Co	ommission	Expiration							

Your name (first, middle initial, last)			Date		SCERSID (for office use only)					
Phone number		Email address								
Section 2: Beneficiary Designation for Death Benefit										
For retirees only: I do NOT elect the death benefit.										
	I DO elect the death benefit, and hereby name my beneficiary.									
Primary%	Name (Last, First) or Full Name of Entity		M	lailing Address						
Relationship	Social Security Number	Date of Birth	C	iity S	State	Zip Code				
Primary%	Name (Last, First) or Full Name of Entity			Mailing Address						
Contingent%										
Relationship	Social Security Number	Date of Birth	C	ity S	State	Zip Code				
Primary%	Name (Last, First) or Full N	M	Mailing Address							
Contingent%										
Relationship	Social Security Number	Date of Birth	С	ity S	State	Zip Code				
Section 3: Are you married, legally separated but not divorced, or in a registered domestic partnership?										
<ul> <li>Yes (If you choose someone other than your spouse/registered domestic partner for your primary beneficiary, you are required to jointly complete a Waiver of Right to Retirement Benefits.)</li> <li>No</li> </ul>										
Notarized Signature and Date Required: Pay any benefits related to my Retirement System membership to my designated beneficiary(ies) in the percentage(s) shown, except as otherwise required by law. If any eligible beneficiaries die before me, share their percentages equally among the remaining eligible beneficiaries. For each selected option, these changes replace any previous beneficiary choices I have made. I attest that all statements on this form are true, correct, and complete. I understand and consent to the choices shown. The statements on this form are true and correct and I understand and consent to the choices made.										
Print Member's Nam	e Sia	nature			Date					
State of	5									
Signed or attested before me on individual).			(date) by			(name of				
						SEAL OR STAMP				
Signature of Notary         Title         Commission Expiration										

## Instructions

You must name at least one primary beneficiary for each type of benefit. Do not name yourself. If you pick more than one primary beneficiary or more than one contingent beneficiary, the total percentage(s) for each category must add up to 100%. Use whole numbers (for example 50% and 50% or 66% and 34%). Your spouse/registered domestic partner is your primary beneficiary unless you file a jointly signed Waiver of Right to Retirement Benefits.

If you have more beneficiaries than will fit on the form, attach a separate sheet with the same information. This sheet must be signed and notarized.

Once completed, signed, and notarized, you may return the form with any applicable attachments by mailing it to SCERS, 720 Third Avenue, Suite 900, Seattle, WA 98104 or uploading forms and attachments through your Member Self-Service portal account. You can also place documents in the City of Seattle Payment drop box located at Seattle Municipal Tower in front of the Customer Service Center. Please place your document(s) in a sealed envelope with "Attention Retirement" written on it. **To protect your personal information, please do not email the form.** 

## Important Definitions

**ACWI**: ACWI refers to your accumulated contributions with interest. Your beneficiary is entitled to your ACWI if you are not yet retired at the time of your death. If you are married or in a registered domestic partnership at the time of death, the ACWI must be paid to your spouse/registered domestic partner, unless you have jointly signed a Waiver of Right to Retirement Benefits

**Option A, B, or C (retired members):** After retirement, your spouse or other beneficiaries can receive benefits if you select one of the retirement Options A through E at the time of retirement. Any option you choose at retirement cannot be changed later, and you can only change your retirement option beneficiary after retirement if you selected Option A, B, or C. If you are married at retirement, your spouse must be your only primary beneficiary, unless your spouse has signed a retirement application designating a different beneficiary or a waiver of the right to the benefit. For Option D or E, only the spouse or registered domestic partner at the time of retirement may receive benefits attributable to the member's retirement account.

**Death Benefit:** As an active employee, you are an automatic member of the Death Benefit Program. When you retire, you can elect to continue this benefit. This \$2,000 benefit is payable upon your death to your named beneficiary(ies). If you are married at the time of death, this benefit must be paid to your spouse, unless your spouse has signed a waiver of the right to the benefit.

**Primary Beneficiary or Beneficiaries:** The person(s) or entity (for example, an estate, trust, or charitable organization) you choose to receive your ACWI, continuing retirement benefit, or death benefit. After your death, SCERS will pay all surviving primary beneficiaries equally or in the percentages you choose. If you are married at the time of death, this benefit must be paid to your spouse, unless your spouse has signed a waiver of the right to the benefit.

If your beneficiary is a trust or charitable organization, please list the trust or charitable organization's Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) in the Social Security Number area of the form.

**Contingent Beneficiary or Beneficiaries:** The person(s) or entity you choose to receive your benefits if all your primary beneficiaries are deceased at the time of your death. If none of your primary beneficiaries survive you, SCERS will pay all contingent beneficiaries equally or in the percentages you choose.