

**CERTIFIED LAY MINISTER INITIAL SIGNATURE FORM
WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

_____ District

Name: _____ Name of Church: _____
Address: _____ Church Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Home Phone: _____ Charge: _____
Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Email: _____

Request for Certification as Lay Minister

I hereby request the recommendation of the pastor, the SPPRC, and the Church Council or Charge Conference for pursuing the process as a Certified Lay Minister.

Date: _____ Signed: _____
(Certified Lay Speaker/CLM Candidate)

Recommendation of Pastor

I recommend this person to become a Certified Lay Minister.

Date: _____ Signed: _____
(Home Pastor)

Recommendation of SPPRC

The SPPRC Committee recommends _____ as being suitable for a Certified Lay Minister. (____ Minutes attached)

Date: _____ Signed: _____
(SPPRC Chair)

Recommendation of Church Council or Charge Conference

The Church Council/Charge Conference of _____ Church recommends _____ as being suitable as a Certified Lay Minister.

(____ Minutes attached)

Date: _____ Signed: _____
(Council Chair)

Recommendation of District Committee on Lay Ministry School

I recommend that _____ be supported and encouraged in this pursuit to become a Certified Lay Minister.

Date: _____ Signed: _____
(District Chair of Lay Ministry School)

Verification of Completion of both CLM Training and Orientation

I verify that _____ has completed both the CLM Training and Orientation on _____, and has submitted the appropriate paperwork (on file). I recommend this person as suitable for Certified Lay Ministry.

Date: _____ Signed: _____
(CLM Coordinator)

Recommendation of District Superintendent and DCOM

I recommend concurrence with this request from _____ to become a Certified Lay Minister.

Date: _____ Signed: _____
(District Superintendent)

Date: _____ Signed: _____
(Chair or Secretary/Registrar of the District BOM)

NOTE: If recommendations cannot be made, please do not sign the form, but indicate reasons why you do not recommend this person as a potential CLM.

COMMENTS: