## The Servant Leadership Questionnaire (SLQ)

The Servant Leadership Questionnaire (SLQ) by Liden, Wayne, et al. (2008) is a 28-item scale that measures seven major dimensions of servant leadership: conceptualizing, emotional healing, putting followers first, helping followers grow and succeed, behaving ethically, empowering, and creating value for the community. Using exploratory and confirmatory factor analysis, Liden, Wayne, et al. established the multiple dimensions of this scale and described how it is uniquely different from other leadership measures. By completing the SLQ you will gain an understanding of how servant leadership is measured and explore where you stand on the different dimensions of servant leadership. Servant leadership is a complex process, and taking the SLQ is one way to discover the dynamics of how it works.

**Instructions:** Select two people who know you in a leadership capacity such as a coworker, fellow group member, or follower. Make two copies of this questionnaire and give a copy to each individual you have chosen. Using the following 7-point scale, ask them to indicate the extent to which they agree or disagree with the following statements as they pertain to your leadership. In these statements, "He/She" is referring to you in a leadership capacity.

<b>Key:</b> 1=Strongly disagree		2=Disagree somewhat	3=Disagree	4=Undecided	5=Agree somewhat	6=Agree	7=Strongly agree
1.	1. Others would seek help from him/her if they had a personal problem.						1234567
2.	He/She emphasizes the importance of giving back to the community.						1234567
3.	8. He/She can tell if something work related is going wrong.						1234567
4.	He/She gives others the responsibility to make important decisions						1234567
about their own jobs.							
5.	He/She makes others' career development a priority.						1234567
6.	He/She cares more about others' success than his/her own.						1234567
7.	He/She holds high ethical standards.						1234567
8.	. He/She cares about others' personal well-being.						1234567
9.	. He/She is always interested in helping people in the community.						1234567
10.	. He/She is abl	e to think thro	ugh complex	problems.			1234567
11. He/She encourages others to handle important work decisions on their own.						1234567	
12. He/She is interested in making sure others reach their career goals.						1234567	
13. He/She puts others' best interests above his/her own.						1234567	

14. He/She is always honest.	1234567
15. He/She takes time to talk to others on a personal level.	1234567
16. He/She is involved in community activities.	1234567
17. He/She has a thorough understanding of the organization and its goals.	1234567
18. He/She gives others the freedom to handle difficult situations in the way	1234567
they feel is best.	
19. He/She provides others with work experiences that enable them to develop	1234567
new skills.	
20. He/She sacrifices his/her own interests to meet others' needs.	1234567
21. He/She would not compromise ethical principles in order to meet success.	1234567
22. He/She can recognize when others are feeling down without asking them.	1234567
23. He/She encourages others to volunteer in the community.	1234567
24. He/She can solve work problems with new or creative ideas.	1234567
25. If others need to make important decisions at work, they do not need	1234567
to consult him/her.	
26. He/She wants to know about others' career goals.	1234567
27. He/She does what he/she can to make others' jobs easier.	1234567
28. He/She values honesty more than profits.	1234567

Liden, R. C., Wayne, S. J., Zhao, H., & Henderson, D. (2008). Servant leadership: Development of a multidimensional measure and multi-level assessment. *Leadership Quarterly*, 19, 161-177.