

**Testimonial
Of Suitability for Priestly Ministry**

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond
Archbishop of New Orleans
7887 Walmsley Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70125

Dear Archbishop Aymond:

Reverend _____ is seeking to exercise priestly ministry in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. I have carefully reviewed our personnel files and all other records which we maintain, and I have consulted with those who served with him in the works he has been assigned under our authority. Based on these inquiries, and on my own personal knowledge, I am able to make each of those statements listed below which I have checked off and initialed:

- ____ () He is a priest in good standing in the Diocese of _____.
- ____ () He has never been suspended or otherwise canonically disciplined.
- ____ () No criminal charges have ever been brought against him, and he has no criminal record.
- ____ () He has never behaved in such a way as to indicate that he might engage in sexual behavior inconsistent with his status a Catholic priest.
- ____ () He has never behaved in such a way as to indicate that he might deal with minors in an inappropriate manner.
- ____ () He does not have a current, untreated alcohol or substance abuse problem.
- ____ () He does not have a current, untreated emotional or mental health problem.
- ____ () He has never been involved in any incident, to my knowledge, which would adversely affect his performance as a priest.

Based on my inquiries and own my personal knowledge, Reverend _____ is a man of good moral character and reputation, and is qualified to serve as a priest in an effective and suitable manner if he should be granted a temporary assignment in the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

I hereby grant him permission to seek to exercise priestly ministry in the Archdiocese of New Orleans for a period of _____ to (state ministry) _____ at (state location) _____ with the understanding that such ministry will cease at the end of this time, and is not undertaken for the purpose of seeking incardination in the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

Signature

Title

Date