



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST TENNESSEE

Reconciling All Things in Christ

Clergy and Vestry Letter of Support for Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate Title III, Canon 8, Section 6(c)(2)

TO: The Rt. Rev. Brian Lee Cole and Standing Committee of The Diocese of East Tennessee

FROM: _____ on ____/____/____ (Name of Parish) (Date)

We, the undersigned, certify that, after due inquiry, we are well assured and believe that _____(name) has been selected in accordance with the Canons of this Church. This person's manner of life is suitable to the exercise of this ministry and this person is loyal to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and does not hold anything contrary thereto.

And moreover, we think _____(name) a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

This judgment is based on our personal knowledge and other evidence.

Clergy Sponsor_____

Two columns of horizontal lines for signatures.

Attestation of Clerk or Recording Secretary

I hereby certify that the foregoing certificate was signed at a meeting of the vestry of _____(name of parish) in _____(city), _____(state), duly convened at _____(time) on the _____ day of _____(month), _____(year), and that the names attached are those of all (or a two-thirds majority of all) the members of the vestry.

(Clerk/Secretary of the Vestry)

(Date signed by Clerk/Secretary)