

Appendix D

**DIOCESE OF MAINE
LETTER OF SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR CANDIDATE FOR HOLY ORDERS**

Date _____

To The Bishop of Maine:

We, whose names are hereunder written, testify to our belief (based on personal knowledge or on evidence satisfactory to us) that

print name clearly

is sober, honest and godly, and that he/she has been a communicant of this Congregation in good standing since

_____. We do further declare that, in our opinion, he/she possesses such qualifications as fit him/her to be admitted as a CANDIDATE FOR HOLY ORDERS with the intention to seek ordination to the Priesthood.

We set forth, in a letter or statement attached to this certificate, the grounds upon which we make our judgment of the applicant's qualifications.

SIGNED _____

Member of the Clergy in Charge of the Congregation to which Applicant belongs

VESTRY/BISHOP'S COMMITTEE OF THE CONGREGATION

(To be signed by a two-thirds majority of the Vestry/Bishop's Committee)

ATTESTATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing certificate was signed at a meeting of the Vestry/Bishop's Committee of

(Name of Congregation)

at _____, Maine, duly convened on the _____ day of _____, _____, and that the names attached are those of all (or a two-thirds majority of all) the members of the Vestry/Bishop's Committee.

DATE _____ SIGNED _____

Clerk of the Vestry/Bishop's Committee

Attached is our statement concerning the applicant.