

Purpose for traveling to the Diocese of Fresno:

Arrival / Dates(s):

Parish to assist (name & city):

TESTIMONIAL OF SUITABILITY FOR PRIESTLY MINISTRY
Diocese of Fresno, Office of the Vicar General, 1550 N. Fresno Street, Fresno, California 93703-3788

To Whom It May Concern:

The Reverend _____, ordained on _____ for the Arch/Diocese of _____, is seeking to exercise ministry in the **Diocese of Fresno**. I have carefully reviewed our diocesan personnel files, and have consulted with those directly involved / assigned with him in his pastoral ministry. Based on the responses to the questions listed below, **Fr.** _____ is a priest in good standing with the Arch/Diocese of _____.

| | Please circle one | |
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| Has he ever been suspended or otherwise canonically disciplined? | Yes | No |
| Have criminal charges ever been brought against him? | Yes | No |
| Has he ever behaved in such a way as to indicate that he might engage in sexual behavior inconsistent with priestly celibacy? | Yes | No |
| Has he ever behaved in such a way as to indicate that he might deal with minors in an inappropriate manner? | Yes | No |
| Has he ever behaved in such a way as to indicate that he may be suffering from alcoholism or other forms of substance abuse? | Yes | No |
| Does he have any mental, emotional, or physical conditions which might adversely affect his performance? | Yes | No |
| Has he ever been involved in any incident which might adversely affect his performance as a priest? | Yes | No |
| Has received Child Abuse education and has been fingerprint cleared and is compliant with all diocesan Safe Environment policies | Yes | No |
| Is he an American citizen, a legal permanent resident, or does he possess an appropriate current R-1 visa: | Yes | No |

Based on my inquiries, and on my personal knowledge, the **Reverend** _____ is a man of good moral character and reputation, and is fully qualified to serve in an effective and suitable manner if he should be allowed to minister in the **Diocese of Fresno**.

I hereby grant him permission to seek to exercise priestly ministry in the **Diocese of Fresno** for a period of _____ Day(s) with the understanding that such ministry is temporary and not undertaken for the purpose of seeking incardination in your Diocese.

Date

Bishop/Provincial/Delegate