**The Episcopal Diocese of Maine  
 Support of an Application for Ordination to the Diaconate**

To the Bishop of Maine:

We, whose names are written hereunder, believe, based on personal knowledge or on evidence satisfactory to us, that

*Print Name Clearly*

is a sober, honest, and godly person, and is a confirmed adult communicant in good standing of this Congregation since \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. We do further declare that, in our opinion, they possess such qualifications as fit them to be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

**Attestation**

We hereby certify that this certificate was signed at a meeting of the Vestry of

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Name of Congregation or Community of Faith

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on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date

and that the names attached are those of all, or a two-thirds majority, of the members of the Vestry.

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Clerk of the Vestry or Community of Faith

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Priest in Charge of the Congregation or Community of Faith

**Signatures**

**Vestry**

**or other designated community of faith**

*(to be signed by two-thirds majority)*

Total number of elected vestry members:\_\_\_\_\_ 

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***Attached is the vestry’s statement and the letter of the Priest-in-Charge describing the grounds upon which you have made your judgment of this applicant’s qualifications.***

**The Episcopal Diocese of Maine**

**Application for Ordination to the Diaconate**

To the Bishop of Maine:

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, admitted to Postulancy on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and Candidacy on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, am making application to be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

I submit the following materials in support of this application, if not already submitted:

* Application for Ordination submitted to the Bishop on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Signature Page: “Support of an Application for Ordination to the Diaconate”
* Letter of Endorsement: Priest in Charge/Sr. Warden
* Letter of Endorsement: Vestry
* Report: from DFP Coordinator regarding the Candidate’s completion of training, and an evaluation of the Candidate’s proficiency in the required Canonical subjects
* Transcripts for education completed outside the Deacon Formation Program
* Final Reports (supervisor and Candidate): Clinical Pastoral Education\*\*
* Final Reports (supervisor and Candidate): Congregational Field Education
* Other

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*Signature of Applicant Date*

*This application is not considered complete until all materials*

*are received by the bishop’s office.*

*Incomplete applications will not be accepted.*