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Office of the Chancellor

This is a form required by the Archdiocese of New Orleans for Deacons who are coming from outside the Archdiocese to perform diaconal ministry. Please have this file completed and signed by your local ordinary and return it to the Office of the Archbishop.

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Office of the Archbishop
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New Orleans, LA 70112

Please indicate on the form what diaconal ministry you will be here to perform and where and when you will be performing this ministry.

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**Testimonial
Of Suitability for Diaconal Ministry**

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

Dear Archbishop Aymond:

Deacon _____ is seeking to exercise diaconal 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 deacon 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 deacon.
- () 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 deacon.

Based on my inquiries and own my personal knowledge, Deacon _____ is a man of good moral character and reputation, and is qualified to serve as a deacon 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 diaconal 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