Form P
Testimonial of Standing Committee
For Ordination to the Diaconate
Canon III.6.6(c)*

To the Right Reverend __________________________________________
Bishop of Kentucky.

We, the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Kentucky, having been duly
convened at ________________________________,
do testify that ________________________________________________,
desiring to be ordained to the Diaconate under Canon III.6 , has presented to us the
certificates as required by the Canons indicating his/her preparedness for ordination to the
Diaconate under Canon III.6; and we certify that all canonical requirements for
ordination to the Diaconate under Canon III.6 have been met; and we find no sufficient
objection to ordination.

THEREFORE, we recommend him/her for ordination. In witness whereof, we have
hereunto set our hands this ____________day of __________ in the
year of our Lord _______________

STANDING COMMITTEE

[Signed]

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(This Testimonial shall be signed by all consenting to its adoption, or a majority of all
members thereof.)
*Canon III.6.6*

(a) A person may be ordained Deacon:
(1) after at least eighteen months from the time of written acceptance of nomination by the Nominee as provided in III.6.2(b), and
(2) upon attainment of at least twenty-four years of age.

(b) The Bishop shall obtain in writing and provide to the Standing Committee:
(1) an application from the Candidate requesting ordination as a Deacon under this Canon.
(2) a letter of support from the Candidate’s congregation or other community of faith, signed and dated by at least two-thirds of the Vestry and the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight.
(3) written evidence of admission of the Candidate to Postulancy and Candidacy, giving the dates of admission.
(4) a letter from the seminary or other program of preparation, showing the Deacon's scholastic record in the subjects required by the Canons, and giving an evaluation with recommendation as to the Candidate's other personal qualifications for ordination together with a recommendation regarding ordination to the Diaconate under this Canon.
(5) a certificate from the Commission giving a recommendation regarding ordination to the Diaconate under this Canon.

(c) On the receipt of such certificates, the Standing Committee, a majority of all the members consenting, shall certify that the canonical requirements for ordination to the Diaconate have been met and there is no sufficient objection on medical, psychological, moral, or spiritual grounds and that they recommend ordination. The Standing Committee shall evidence such certification by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the form specified below and signed by the consenting members of the Standing Committee.

To the Right Reverend __________, Bishop of __________ We, the Standing Committee of ________, having been duly convened at __________, do testify that A.B., desiring to be ordained to the Diaconate under Canon III.6, has presented to us the certificates as required by the Canons indicating A.B.’s preparedness for ordination to the Diaconate under Canon III.6 have been met; and we and we find no sufficient objection to ordination. Therefore, we recommend A. B. for ordination. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this ______day of ______, in the year of our Lord ____________.

(Signed)