



DIOCESE OF VENICE ATTESTATION OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER

I, _____ a prospective or current (**circle one**): employee, volunteer, religious brother or sister, deacon or priest, or independent contractor, hereby attest, under penalty of perjury, that I am of good moral character. I further attest that I have not committed, nor been found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, any offense (or attempt or conspiracy thereunder) prohibited under any of the following provisions of the Florida Statutes (See level 2 screening standard of 435.04) or under any similar statute of another jurisdiction:

- a. Section 393.135, relating to sexual misconduct with certain developmentally disabled clients and reporting of such sexual misconduct.
- b. For employee or employers licensed or registered pursuant to chapter 400 or chapter 429, does not have a confirmed report of abuse, neglect, or exploitation as defined in s. 415.102(6), which has been uncontested or upheld under 415.103.
- c. Does not have a confirmed report of abuse, neglect or exploitation as defined in section 39.01 which has been upheld under section 415.103.
- d. Section 415.111, relating to adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation of aged persons or disabled adults.
- e. Section 394.4593, relating to sexual misconduct with certain mental health patients and reporting of such sexual misconduct.
- f. Has not committed an act that constitutes domestic violence as defined in Section 741.30.
- g. Section 782.05 relating to murder.
- h. Section 782.07 relating to manslaughter, aggravated manslaughter of an elderly person or disabled adult or aggravated manslaughter of a child.
- i. Section 782.071, relating to vehicular homicide.
- j. Section 782.09 relating to killing of an unborn child by injury to the mother.
- k. Section 784.011 relating to assault, if the victim of the offense was a minor or
- l. Section 784.021 relating to aggravated assault for any victim.
- m. Section 784.03 relating to battery, if the victim of the offense was a minor or Section 784.045 relating to aggravated battery of any victim.
- n. Section 784.07, relating to assault or battery of law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical care providers, public transit employees or agents, or other specified officers.
- o. Section 784.075, relating to battery on a detention or commitment facility staff.

- p. Section 787.01 relating to kidnapping.
- q. Section 787.02 relating to false imprisonment.
- r. Section 787.04(2) or (3) relating to taking, enticing or removing a child beyond the state limits with criminal intent pending custody proceedings or to avoid producing a child at a custody hearing.
- s. Section 790.115(1) or (2)(b) relating to exhibiting firearms or weapons within 1,000 feet of a school or possessing an electric weapon or device, destructive device or other weapon on school property.
- t. Section 794.011 relating to sexual battery.
- u. Section 794.041 relating to prohibited acts of persons in familial or custodial authority.
- v. Chapter 796 relating to prostitution.
- w. Section 798.02 relating to lewd and lascivious behavior.
- x. Chapter 800 relating to lewdness and indecent exposure.
- y. Section 806.01 relating to arson.
- z. Chapters 810 and 812 relating to burglary, theft, robbery crimes, if the offense was a felony.
- aa. Section 817.563 relating to fraudulent sale of controlled substances, only if the offense was a felony.
- bb. Section 825.102 relating to abuse, aggravated abuse, or neglect of an elderly person or disabled adult.
- cc. Section 825.1025 relating to lewd or lascivious offenses committed upon or in the presence of an elderly person or disabled adult.
- dd. Section 825.103 relating to exploitation of an elderly person or disabled adult, if the offense was a felony.
- ee. Section 826.04 relating to incest.
- ff. Section 827.03 relating to child abuse, aggravated child abuse, or neglect of a child.
- gg. Section 827.04 relating to contributing to the delinquency or dependency of a child.
- hh. Section 827.05 relating to negligent treatment of children.
- ii. Section 827.071 relating to sexual performance by a child.
- jj. Section 843.01 relating to resisting arrest with violence.
- kk. Section 843.025 relating to depriving a law enforcement, correctional or correctional probation officer means of protection or communication.
- ll. Section 843.12 or 843.13 relating to aiding in an escape or in the escape of juvenile inmates.
- mm. Chapter 847 relating to obscene literature.

- nn. Section 874.05(1) relating to encouraging or recruiting another to join criminal gan
- oo. Chapter 893 relating to drug abuse prevention and control, only if the offense was a felony or if any other person involved in the offense was a minor.
- pp. Section 916.1075, relating to sexual misconduct with certain forensic clients and reporting of such sexual misconduct.
- qq. Section 944.35(3,) relating to inflicting cruel or inhuman treatment on an inmate resulting in great bodily harm.
- rr. Section 944.46, relating to harboring, concealing, or aiding an escaped prisoner.
- ss. Section 944.47, relating to introduction of contraband into a correctional facility.
- tt. Section 985.701, relating to sexual misconduct in juvenile justice programs.
- uu. Section 985.711, relating to contraband introduced into detention facilities.

I understand that any employment/volunteer work is conditioned upon a satisfactory criminal background and reference check and that offenses other than those listed above may preclude my employment or volunteer work to the extent they reflect on my fitness for the position. I authorize, without reservation, the release of information to the Diocese of Venice and do further release, agree to hold harmless and discharge from all damages and liability, Frank J. Dewane, as Bishop of the Diocese of Venice, a corporation sole, the Diocese and all companies, agencies, officials, officers, employees and other persons, who in good faith provide to the Diocese of Venice information in order to successfully complete a background investigation.

I further agree to inform the Diocese of Venice immediately if I am charged with or arrested for any disqualifying offenses while engaged in employment, volunteer work, or other work on behalf of the Diocese.

School/Parish/Other: _____

Position: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

*This form is to be completed with the volunteer or employment application and maintained as part thereof in the personnel/volunteer file at the local diocesan entity.

Sign and return to:

**Office of the Diaconate
 Diocese of Venice Catholic Center
 1000 Pinebrook Road
 Venice, Florida 34285**