

**DIOCESE OF MONTEREY**

**LETTER OF PERMISSION AND TESTIMONIAL OF SUITABILITY FOR MINISTRY (Deacon)**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Most Rev. Daniel Garcia  
Bishop of Monterey  
425 Church Street  
Monterey, CA 93940



Dear Bishop Garcia:

In accordance with the Guidelines approved by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the provisions of Can. 903, this is to certify that Deacon \_\_\_\_\_ is a cleric in good standing with full faculties in the \_\_\_\_\_.

I have reviewed the personnel file and consulted with those knowledgeable about him. Based on this review I can provide the following statements about Deacon \_\_\_\_\_ :

- He is a person in good moral character and reputation. I know of nothing which would in any way limit or disqualify him from this ministry.
- I am unaware of anything in his background which would render him unsuitable to work with minor children.
- I am unaware of any physical or mental health issues, which would affect his ability to carry out the full ministry.
- He is in compliance with our policies and procedures related to the protection of children. Furthermore, he has completed the Safe Environment Training for our Diocese or Order.

He has my permission to be in the Diocese of Monterey on *(dates)* \_\_\_\_\_  
for the purpose of *(e.g. Baptism)* \_\_\_\_\_ at  
*(name of Parish or Center)* \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact me if you have any questions at *(telephone number)* \_\_\_\_\_  
or by e-mail at: \_\_\_\_\_.

Sincerely in Christ,

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**(SEAL):**

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