



COMMISSION ON MINISTRY

**FORM B: VESTRY NOMINATION OF AN ASPIRANT FOR HOLY ORDERS
AND VESTRY FINANCIAL COMMITMENT**

*To the Rt. Rev. Kevin S. Brown, Bishop
and to the Commission on Ministry of
the Episcopal Church in Delaware*

Date: _____

NOMINATION OF AN ASPIRANT FOR HOLY ORDERS

WE, whose names are hereunder written as duly elected members of the vestry of (*print name of the congregation*) _____, testify to our belief that (*print name of aspirant*) _____, has lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and that he/she/they is a communicant of this congregation in good standing of this parish. We do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he/she/they possess such qualifications befitting admission into the discernment process following the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church and the standards put forth in the Roadmap to Holy Orders under the Commission on Ministry of the Episcopal Church in Delaware.

WE declare that our judgment is based upon:

- _____ Personal knowledge of the aspirant on the part of the vestry
- _____ Evidence concerning the aspirant presented to the vestry
- _____ A combination of personal knowledge of the aspirant and other evidence

WE commit our congregation to support this person for three or four years of theological education in the following ways:

- Payment of one-third (1/3) of the cost of the psychological exam
- Payment of the cost of diocesan discernment retreat (typically \$ _____ to \$ _____)
- We further commit to involving our congregation in the preparation of the aspirant for Holy Orders



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VESTRY SIGNATURES

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(Must be signed by a two-thirds majority of the members of the vestry.)

Signed: _____
(Rector/Sponsoring Priest of the congregation to which the aspirant belongs)

ATTESTATION OF THE FOREGOING CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY certify that the foregoing certificate was signed at a meeting of the vestry of
(print name of the congregation) _____ duly convened in the city
of *(cityname)* _____ on *(date)* _____ and that
the signatures shown are those of a two-thirds majority of the members of the vestry.

Signed _____
(clerk of the vestry)

Completed original forms should be submitted to:

The Episcopal Church in Delaware
Attention: Executive Assistant to the Bishop
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Wilmington, DE 19803
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