Name: _______________________________________________

(Arch)Diocese: ________________________________________

Canonical Questionnaire

Please honestly answer the following questions, supplying details when appropriate. These questions are meant to help determine an applicant’s eligibility for ordination in accord with the norms of the Roman Catholic Church. Please note that an affirmative answer does not automatically preclude one from admission to the seminary, as some conditions require special handling or a dispensation.

1. Have you ever been considered mentally disabled or mentally incompetent?

   Yes    No

If YES, please comment below.

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2. Have you ever committed yourself or been committed to a psychiatric hospital or mental health treatment facility?

   Yes    No
3. Have you ever been involved in a chemical dependency or substance abuse program?
   Yes    No
If YES, please comment below.
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4. Have you ever publicly advocated any views contrary to the teaching of the Catholic Church?
   Yes    No
If YES, please comment below.
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5. Have you ever been excommunicated?

   Yes  No

If YES, please comment below.

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6. Have you ever publicly abandoned the Catholic Church as an adult by registering membership in another religion or denomination?

   Yes  No

If YES, please comment below.

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7. Have you ever belonged to a Church or religious body other than the Catholic Church?

   Yes  No

If YES, please answer the following:

   What denomination? _______________________________________________________________
Date and place of entry into the Catholic Church: ________________________________

Did you participate in R.C.I.A?  Yes  No

8. Does either of your parents belong to an Eastern (Oriental) Rite of the Church?

   Father: _____________________________  Mother: _______________________________

9. Have you ever been married (in a church, civilly or by common law)?

   Yes  No

   If YES, please answer the following:

   To whom? ________________________________

   When? _______________  Where? ________________________________

   Before whom (justice of the peace, priest, minister, etc.)? ________________________________

   Is your former spouse(s) deceased?  Yes  No

   If yes, date of death. ________________________________

   Have you received a civil divorce?  Yes  No

   Have you received a church annulment?  Yes  No

   If YES, please specify:

   Diocese: ________________________________

   Date of annulment: ________________________________

   Protocol # ________________________________
10. Have you ever bound yourself by oaths, vows or promises in a religious institute or organization?  

Yes  No

If YES, please specify:

Institute / Organization: ________________________________________________________

Date: ______________________________________________________________________

Were they temporary or perpetual?  _____________________________________________

What is the present status of those oaths, vows or promises? _______________________

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11. Have you every made private vows?  

Yes  No

If YES, please comment below.

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12. Have you ever been accepted by any other diocese, religious community, seminary, or secular institute?  

Yes  No

If Yes, please specify:

Name of diocese: __________________________________________________________________
Date of entering and leaving: _______________________ / __________________________

Level at time of leaving: ______________________________________________________

Did you leave of your own accord or were you asked to leave?

left voluntarily       asked to leave

Please explain (include separate sheet if necessary). 

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13. Have you ever applied to and not been accepted by any seminary, diocese, religious community or secular institute?

Yes      No

If Yes, please list:

Name and address of seminary, diocese, community or institute:

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Date of application: ______________________________________________________

Please explain (include separate sheet if necessary): ____________________________

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14. Have you ever attempted suicide?

Yes  No

If YES, please comment below.

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15. Have you ever been involved in the voluntary taking of another human life? (Assisted in an abortion by performing it, paying for it, transporting the subject, or providing abortifacient medication? Assisted someone in committing suicide?)

Yes  No

If YES, please comment below.

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16. Have you ever been involved in self-mutilation or the mutilation of another?

Yes  No
17. Have you ever ministerially impersonated a deacon, priest, or bishop?
    Yes    No
    
If YES, please comment below.

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18. Have you ever been accused of a crime?
    Yes    No
    
If YES, please comment below.

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19. Have you ever been indicted or arrested?

Yes     No

If Yes:

What were the charges? _______________________________________________________

Place and date of arrest _______________________________________________________

City, Parish / County, Country _________________________________________________

Age at time of arrest _________________________________________________________

Disposition (Please explain)

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