



DIOCESE OF SAN BERNARDINO AFFIDAVIT OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT COMPLIANCE

As a clergy, candidate for ordination, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of San Bernardino, I attest that I have read and clearly understand my responsibilities regarding the *Diocese of San Bernardino Safe Environment Policy for the Protection of Children, the Code of Pastoral Conduct, and the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Law*.

Safe Environment Policies (Please, place your initials on the line before each statement)

_____ I understand that every person hired to work or acknowledged as a volunteer in the Diocese of San Bernardino is equally accountable for implementing Diocesan policies and procedures.

_____ I understand that to maintain the integrity of the Safe Environment Policy for the Protection of Children and Young People, it is necessary to report violations of this policy, the Code of Pastoral Conduct, other diocesan policies, and any applicable laws of the State of California.

_____ I understand that the Diocese of San Bernardino Safe Environment Policy for the Protection of Children and Young People mandates all clergy, employees, and volunteers to report suspected child abuse.

_____ I understand that the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Law requires all clergy, employees and administrators of programs with minors, as well as other employee categories (see P.C. 11165.7) to file a suspected child abuse report to law enforcement or County Child Protective Services (Copies of this publication and the suspected child abuse reporting form are available in the diocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection and may be found on the website at www.docyp.org).

_____ I understand that failure to comply with diocesan safe environment policies can result in disciplinary action, dismissal, suspension or termination of clerical faculties, employment, or volunteer privileges.

Confidentiality (Please, place your initials on the line before each statement)

_____ As a clergy, employee or volunteer I am aware that personal information, conversations, materials, and data with which I come in contact and to which I have access are to be treated in a confidential and in a professional manner.

_____ I understand that any knowledge of confidential information is to be used only in the conduct of official business of the Catholic Diocese of San Bernardino.

_____ I understand that all violations of this Confidentiality can result in disciplinary action, dismissal, suspension, or termination of clerical faculties, employment, or volunteer privileges.

_____ Print Full Name

_____ Signature

_____ Date

_____ Role

_____ Parish, School or DPC Office

_____ Entity #