

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF PASSAIC
Clergy, Employee, Volunteer Background Check Disclosure/Authorization Form
Safe Environment Policy Endorsement

DISCLOSURE

This Disclosure and Authorization is provided pursuant to the federal and New Jersey Fair Credit Reporting Acts and Pennsylvania Child Protection Statutes. This is to inform you that a consumer report is being obtained from a consumer-reporting agency on behalf of the Eparchy of Passaic for those serving within the eparchy outside the State of Pennsylvania and in accord with the requirements of state law for those serving in the State of Pennsylvania that you must comply with Pennsylvania Child Protection Law mandates regarding required criminal background checks. These reports are for the purpose of evaluating your suitability for service within the Eparchy according to the norms set forth in the ***Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*** adopted by the National Conference of the Catholic Bishops of America and as appropriate for those serving in Pennsylvania. This report may contain information bearing on your character, general reputation and personal characteristics from public and private record sources and may be reviewed quarterly. This background check will be accomplished in strict confidence and with absolute commitment to your right to privacy and attention to your legal and canonical rights.

AUTHORIZATION

To Whom It May Concern:

I hereby authorize the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Passaic to procure a consumer report (known also as an investigative consumer report). I understand this report will encompass a National Criminal File Search comprised of a comprehensive search of multiple criminal record sources, including state and county criminal record repositories, proprietary record information of the consumer-reporting agency, prison parole and release files and records from other state agencies. This report will also include a State Sexual Offender Search that comprises a search of state sexual offender registrations. I understand that I may request a complete and accurate disclosure of the nature and scope of this background investigation; to the extent such investigation includes information bearing on my character, general reputation, and personal characteristics. If a resident of Pennsylvania, I understand the need to comply with the requirements of Pennsylvania State Child Protection Laws.

<hr/> <i>Print Name</i>	<hr/> / <hr/> / <hr/> <i>Social Security Number</i>
<hr/> <i>Maiden Name</i>	<hr/> <i>Date of Birth</i> (Month / Day / Year)
<hr/> <i>Street Address</i>	<hr/> <i>Parish</i> (Name)
<hr/> / <hr/> <i>City</i> <i>County</i>	<hr/> (City / State)
<hr/> <i>State / Zip Code</i>	<hr/> / <hr/> <i>Telephone Number</i> <i>E-mail address</i>

Please check one: ☐Clergy ☐Volunteer ☐Employee

Proof of Identity: (Picture ID required - include photocopy of original) ☐Passport ☐Driver License ☐Other _____
(Type of "Other" ID)

<hr/> (ID Number)	<hr/> (Country/State)	<hr/> (Date of Issue)
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Please complete and initial each of the following as is appropriate:

I attest that I have never been accused, prosecuted, or convicted of any sexual offense with children or adults. Also, I have never been the subject of any criminal charges, investigations or convictions.

(Initials)

I hereby certify that on (Date) _____ I reviewed the required Eparchy of Passaic Safe Environment Training and Eparchy of Passaic Code of Conduct with Minors. Further, I stipulate that I fully comprehend these materials and pledge to abide by all Eparchy of Passaic safe environment policies and its Code of Conduct with Minors in all my service within the Eparchy.

(Initials)

CLERGY ONLY: As a cleric, I understand that I am subject to the Essential Norms for Dioceses & Eparchies under the USCCB *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* and the Universal Law of the Catholic Church.

(Initials)

Signature:

(With exception of signatures, please print all information clearly.)

Form: 14 October 2023