



**DISCERNMENT COMMITTEE REPORT
TO THE RECTOR/PRIEST-IN-CHARGE OR BISHOP**

(This form is to be completed once a Discernment Committee has completed a process of discernment with a person in discernment for Holy Orders.

This is a confidential document that is submitted to the Rector or Priest-in-Charge, if there is one. If not, it is submitted to the Bishop. The rector, priest-in-charge, or bishop will then make a report with recommendation to the Church Committee/Vestry.

If additional room is needed, please attach pages as needed.

Name of Applicant: _____

Name(s) of Discernment Committee members who recommend that the applicant pursue ordination to the diaconate/priesthood.

Name(s) of Discernment Committee members who do *not* recommend that the applicant pursue ordination to the diaconate/priesthood.

1. Describe the applicant's strengths and weaknesses.

2. Assess the applicant's intellectual ability to pursue graduate studies in theology.

3. Describe the applicant's family situation, including how spouse, children, and parents (as applicable) feel about her/his pursuit of ordination.

4. Describe the applicant's religious history before entering the congregation.

5. Describe the applicant's life and ministry in this congregation.

6. Assess the applicant's potential for leadership in the church.

7. Assess the effectiveness of the applicant in pastoral and interpersonal relationships in the congregation.

8. Summarize your understanding of the applicant's call to ordained ministry.

9. Summarize the major strengths/attributes of the applicant as possible future clergy (deacon/priest) in the Church.

10. Summarize the major weaknesses, problems of the applicant as a possible future clergy (deacon/priest) in the Church.

11. Add any other comments you feel the Bishop, Rector, and Church Committee/Vestry should know.

Print Name of person making this report: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

