



# Church Authority Statement

## LAITY USE ONLY



I	<i>[Insert Name]</i>		
of	<i>[insert Diocese, Organisation, Agency]</i>		
as the relevant Church Authority for the applicant	<i>[insert name]</i>		
I have made appropriate enquiries where necessary and hereby confirm that so far as I am aware:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	There are currently no complaints of abuse against the applicant		
<input type="checkbox"/>	The applicant is not subject to any past substantiated complaint of abuse		
<input type="checkbox"/>	There are no circumstances that could lead to a complaint of abuse against the applicant		
<input type="checkbox"/>	The applicant does not pose an elevated risk to Children, young people, or adults at risk		
<input type="checkbox"/>	The applicant has read, understood, and complies with the Catholic Archdiocese of Perth Safeguarding Code of Conduct		
I have attached relevant copies of the applicant's screening checks:			
<b>WA Working with Children Card No.</b> <i>(Only required if visit involves child-related work and/or stay is longer than 14 days per 12 months)</i>		<b>Expiry Date</b>	
<b>National Police Clearance No.</b>		<b>Issue Date</b>	
The applicant is a <i>bona fide</i>	<i>[insert title e.g., Role or Position]</i>		
and will be visiting from	<i>[insert date]</i>	to	<i>[insert date]</i>
At	<i>[insert location/s]</i>		
<b>Purpose of the visit</b>	<i>[state reason for the visit]</i>		
They will reside at <i>[insert address]</i> .			
When they have arrived in your state or Diocese, they will apply for the relevant checks if necessary. If further information is required, please do not hesitate to contact me.			
I understand that the receiving Church Authority may request the applicant undergo further legal and other background checks prior to granting permission to minister and I will assist with these if required.			
<b>Signature Church Authority</b>		<b>Date</b>	
<b>Name</b>		<b>Title</b>	
<p>The National Catholic Safeguarding Standards requires Church entities to implement a system to assess the safeguarding credentials and manage the movement of all seminarians, clergy, religious and laity moving between different seminaries, formation programs and church jurisdictions. This declaration and the personal declaration of the applicant verify that the individual coming to exercise public ministry in a new jurisdiction is currently in good standing and records the movement and activities of those individuals.</p> <p>'Good standing' means</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• there are not currently any complaints of abuse against an individual</li> <li>• there have never been any substantiated complaints of abuse against an individual</li> <li>• there are no know circumstances that could lead to a complaint of abuse against an individual and</li> <li>• an individual is not otherwise deemed to be an unacceptable risk to children, young people, or adults at risk.</li> </ul>			
<b>RETURN THIS FORM TO: THE OFFICE OF THE VICAR GENERAL VIA <a href="mailto:ea.vg@perthcatholic.org.au">ea.vg@perthcatholic.org.au</a></b>			