

**Statement of the Pastor
Concerning a Candidate for Lay Ministry Formation from**

(Name of Parish or School)

**Being Formed for Ministry in the Diocese of Tucson
Level II Certification**

This is to state that Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____ is in good standing in the above named parish/school community.

To the best of my knowledge, I am of the opinion that he/she is of good character and reputation. I believe that he/she is capable of performing parish service in an effective and suitable manner.

More specifically, I am unaware of anything in his/her background (including but not limited to convictions, criminal charges, arrests, investigated allegations or reports with substantiated findings, investigated allegations or reports with unsubstantiated findings, non-investigated allegations or reports, or any other information) which might render him/her unsuitable to work with minor children (anyone under 18). If I am aware of any of the above items, I have attached to this statement a summary of my knowledge of any such information in his/her background.

Further, I have no knowledge that he/she has a current untreated alcohol or substance abuse problem.

I understand that _____ is seeking to participate in a ministry formation/certification program for Level II in the Diocese of Tucson.

Signature

Title

Date

Please return to: Office of Catechesis for Children, Youth and Families **OR**
Department of Catholic Schools
P.O. Box 31, Tucson, AZ 85702-0031