



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MANDATED REPORTER STATUS (CLERGY)

I, _____, understand that as a member of the clergy
(Name)

I am a mandated reporter under the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act [325 ILCS 5/4]. This means that I am required to report or cause a report to be made to the child abuse Hotline number at 1-800-25-ABUSE (1-800-252-2873) whenever I have reasonable cause to believe that a child known to me in my professional or official capacity may be a sexually abused child. (“Reasonable cause to believe means” that the concerned person, acting as a reasonable man or woman, believes that the described facts exist.) I understand that there is no charge when calling the Hotline number and that the Hotline operates 24-hours per day, 7 days per week, 365 days per year.

I further understand that I shall not be compelled to disclose a confession or admission made to me in my professional character or as a spiritual advisor if I am a member of the clergy of a religious denomination that is accredited by the religious body to which I belong.

I affirm that I have read this statement and have knowledge and understanding of the reporting requirements, which apply to me under the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act.

Signature of Applicant

Date

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