



**DRAFT APPENDIX A  
Diocese of Christ our Hope Confidentiality Commitment for  
Lay Complainants and Lay Advocates (Supporters/Liaisons)**

It is my commitment, as a named non-clergy complainant in a clergy misconduct inquiry and/or investigation with the Anglican Diocese of Christ our Hope, in good faith to help ensure a just and safe process by following the standards stated below.

- Written communication of all forms sent and/or received between the Diocesan Investigative Team, Diocesan Response Team, complainants, respondent, and bishops within this investigation is considered confidential and will not be duplicated physically or digitally, nor shared with parties outside the investigative process. This includes relatives, friends, and business and professional associates, unless written consent has been obtained from participants, and the Anglican Diocese of Christ our Hope has authorized disclosure. This does not limit communication with named advocates or legal counsel also subject to this commitment, nor does it restrict privileged conversations, such as with a mental health provider.
- While it is understood that emotional and social support may need to be sought, verbal communication of investigative details and process must be kept private and will not be shared publicly in oral or written form or through any form of social media.
- Contact with the accused and their named liaisons on matters pertaining to the inquiry/investigation, as well as the Diocesan Investigative Team, is strictly prohibited. The DRT plans to host facilitated support calls for the complainants to hear from one another.
- Contact with the Diocesan Council or staff of the Diocese of Christ our Hope on matters pertaining to the inquiry/investigation, is strictly prohibited. All communication should be directed to the [safeguarding@adhope.org](mailto:safeguarding@adhope.org) email and named liaisons. In the event there is concern about unresponsiveness, notify Lee Hilts at [lhilts@adhope.org](mailto:lhilts@adhope.org)

I agree to abide by these guidelines and I understand that violation may put other complainants at risk and hinder the investigative process.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Diocese of Christ our Hope Advocate (Support/Liaison) Confidentiality Commitment**

It is my commitment, as an identified advocate (liaison/supporter) of a named non-clergy complainant or the respondent in a clergy misconduct inquiry and/or investigation with the Anglican Diocese of Christ our Hope, in good faith to help ensure a just and safe process by following the standards stated above.

I agree to abide by these guidelines and I understand that violation may put other complainants or the respondent at risk and hinder the investigative process.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign and date and return (by digital copy) to [safeguarding@adhope.org](mailto:safeguarding@adhope.org)