



**Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland
BACKGROUND CHECK AUTHORIZATION**

I hereby authorize the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland and its agents to conduct a comprehensive background check, including the preparation of a consumer report (as defined by the Fair Credit Reporting Act), in connection with my consideration for employment or service as a volunteer and at any time during the course of my employment or service as a volunteer.

I also have been notified that:

- (1) A consumer report will be requested which will include National Criminal History, National Sex Registry, and where appropriate, Bureau of Motor Vehicle reports.
- (2) Upon my request, I will be informed of the name and address of any consumer reporting agency that furnished any report.

I understand that the scope of this report will include verification of Social Security number (**Employees Only**), current and previous residences, employment history, education, criminal history, motor vehicle records and department of human services records. Except for positions with duties that require access to Diocesan funds, the Diocese will **NOT** obtain a credit report. In addition, in conformance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act, medical records will **NOT** fall within the scope of this report.

I further authorize any individual, company, firm, corporation, or public agency to divulge any and all information, verbal or written, in connection with the preparation of this report.

In the event that I am offered a position prior to the completion of any consumer report, I understand that continued employment or volunteer status will be contingent upon whether the Diocese finds the results acceptable. Should the Diocese deem any of the information contained in the reports unacceptable, I realize my position may be subject to termination. Before adverse action based on the consumer report is taken, the Diocese of Portland will provide me with a copy of the report along with my rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

I acknowledge that I have received, read and understood the "Consumer Disclosure Use of Consumer Reports for Employment" and the "Summary of Your Rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act" _____ (**Initials**)

I understand all information assembled as a result of this background check will be treated as confidential and shared only with those who have a need to know in connection with hiring and engagement of volunteer services decisions.

I agree that a photocopy or facsimile of this Authorization shall be valid as the original.

Print Name: _____
(First) (Middle) (Last) (Maiden)

Former Name(s) and Date(s) Used: _____

Current Address Since: _____
(Mo./Yr.) (Street) (City) (State/Zip)

Date of Birth: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Social Security # (**Employee applicants only**): _____

Para información en español, visite <http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore> o escribe a la Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20552.

A Summary of Your Rights Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act

The federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) promotes the accuracy, fairness, and privacy of information in the files of consumer reporting agencies. There are many types of consumer reporting agencies, including credit bureaus and specialty agencies (such as agencies that sell information about check writing histories, medical records, and rental history records). Here is a summary of your major rights under the FCRA. **For more information, including information about additional rights, go to <http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore> or write to: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20552.**

• **You must be told if information in your file has been used against you.** Anyone who uses a credit report or another type of consumer report to deny your application for credit, insurance, or employment – or to take another adverse action against you – must tell you, and must give you the name, address, and phone number of the agency that provided the information.

• **You have the right to know what is in your file.** You may request and obtain all the information about you in the files of a consumer reporting agency (your “file disclosure”). You will be required to provide proper identification, which may include your Social Security number. In many cases, the disclosure will be free. You are entitled to a free file disclosure if:

- a person has taken adverse action against you because of information in your credit report;
- you are the victim of identify theft and place a fraud alert in your file;
- your file contains inaccurate information as a result of fraud;
- you are on public assistance;
- you are unemployed but expect to apply for employment within 60 days.

In addition, all consumers are entitled to one free disclosure every 12 months upon request from each nationwide credit bureau and from nationwide specialty consumer reporting agencies. See <http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore> for additional information.

• **You have the right to ask for a credit score.** Credit scores are numerical summaries of your credit-worthiness based on information from credit bureaus. You may request a credit score from consumer reporting agencies that create scores or distribute scores used in residential real property loans, but you will have to pay for it. In some mortgage transactions, you will receive credit score information for free from the mortgage lender.

• **You have the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information.** If you identify information in your file that is incomplete or inaccurate, and report it to the consumer reporting agency, the agency must investigate unless your dispute is frivolous. See <http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore> for an explanation of dispute procedures.

• **Consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information.** Inaccurate, incomplete or unverifiable information must be removed or corrected, usually within 30 days. However, a consumer reporting agency may continue to report information it has verified as accurate.

- **Consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information.** In most cases, a consumer reporting agency may not report negative information that is more than seven years old, or bankruptcies that are more than 10 years old.
- **Access to your file is limited.** A consumer reporting agency may provide information about you only to people with a valid need – usually to consider an application with a creditor, insurer, employer, landlord, or other business. The FCRA specifies those with a valid need for access.
- **You must give your consent for reports to be provided to employers.** A consumer reporting agency may not give out information about you to your employer, or a potential employer, without your written consent given to the employer. Written consent generally is not required in the trucking industry. For more information, go to www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore.
- **You may limit “prescreened” offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report.** Unsolicited “prescreened” offers for credit and insurance must include a toll-free phone number you can call if you choose to remove your name and address from the lists these offers are based on. You may opt-out with the nationwide credit bureaus at 1-888-567-8688.
- **You may seek damages from violators.** If a consumer reporting agency, or, in some cases, a user of consumer reports or a furnisher of information to a consumer reporting agency violates the FCRA, you may be able to sue in state or federal court.
- **Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights.** For more information, visit www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore.

States may enforce the FCRA, and many states have their own consumer reporting laws. In some cases, you may have more rights under state law. For more information, contact your state or local consumer protection agency or your state Attorney General. For information about your federal rights, contact:

TYPE OF BUSINESS:

1.a. Banks, savings associations, and credit unions with total assets of over \$10 billion and their affiliates.

b. Such affiliates that are not banks, savings associations, or credit unions also should list, in addition to the CFPB:

2. To the extent not included in item 1 above:

a. National banks, federal savings associations, and federal branches and federal agencies of foreign banks

b. State member banks, branches and agencies of foreign banks (other than federal branches, federal agencies, and Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks), commercial lending companies owned or controlled by foreign banks, and organizations operating under section 25 or 25A of the Federal Reserve Act

c. Nonmember Insured Banks, Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks, and insured state savings associations

d. Federal Credit Unions

3. Air carriers

4. Creditors Subject to Surface Transportation Board

5. Creditors Subject to Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921

6. Small Business Investment Companies

7. Brokers and Dealers

8. Federal Land Banks, Federal Land Bank Associations, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks, and Production Credit Associations

9. Retailers, Finance Companies, and All Other Creditors Not Listed Above

CONTACT:

a. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
1700 G Street NW
Washington, DC 20552

b. Federal Trade Commission: Consumer Response Center – FCRA
Washington, DC 20580
(877) 382-4357

a. Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
Customer Assistance Group
1301 McKinney Street, Suite 3450
Houston, TX 77010-9050

b. Federal Reserve Consumer Help Center
P.O. Box 1200
Minneapolis, MN 55480

c. FDIC Consumer Response Center
1100 Walnut Street, Box #11
Kansas City, MO 64106

d. National Credit Union Administration
Office of Consumer Protection (OCP)
Division of Consumer Compliance and Outreach (DCCO)
1775 Duke Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Asst. General Counsel for Aviation Enforcement & Proceedings
Aviation Consumer Protection Division
Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board
Department of Transportation
395 E Street S.W.
Washington, DC 20423\

Nearest Packers and Stockyards Administration area supervisor

Associate Deputy Administrator for Capital Access
United States Small Business Administration
409 Third Street, SW, 8th Floor
Washington, DC 20416

Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F St NE
Washington, DC 20549

Farm Credit Administration
1501 Farm Credit Drive
McLean, VA 22102-5090
FTC Regional Office for region in which the creditor operates or

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