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July 16, 2008

Court for the Trial of a Bishop
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Re: The Right Rev. Charles Bennison

I have known Charles Bennison since 1985 when I first attended St. Mark's Episcopal

Exhibit C



The Rev. Harry N. White
Priest-in-Charge

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"Where You are Welcome for a Service, or a Lifetime."

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July 17, 2008

The Court for the Trial of a Bishop

It is my honor to have this opportunity to express my support for The Rt. Rev. Charles E. Bennison. Bishop Bennison has been a consistent and staunch supporter of both my ministry, and that of the vital community of the Church of the Ascension. It is largely due to his efforts and interest that, after many years of floundering on the western edge of the diocese, Ascension is now growing and has a full-time pastoral, educational, and liturgical presence in Parkesburg and the surrounding communities.

In addition to lobbying for Ascension to receive much needed salary and building renovation support, Bishop Bennison has listened carefully to the concerns of our wardens, vestry and members, been most helpful with his perspective and suggestions, and solidly supportive of their ministry. His strong affirmation of the importance of Ascension in the Diocese of Pennsylvania has been most welcome.

Bishop Bennison has been an effective and caring and supportive pastor to me, and I have found his vision for the diocese and the church at large to be exciting, intelligent and infectious. I have been, and continue to be, proud to have Charles as my Bishop.

Yours in Christ,

(The Rev.) Harry N. White

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Letterhead Paper

Exhibit D

July 18, 2008

To the Court for the Trial of a Bishop

The greatest fear that I have in writing this letter requesting leniency for Chuck is that my vocabulary will fail me in expressing the depth of my admiration for him and the immense impact that he has had on my life and the life of my husband and my children.

My husband, Jim, and I moved to the Upland, California, area in 1978 and joined St. Mark's Episcopal church at that time. We entered a vital, active congregation, empowered by the spirituality and energy of its leader, Chuck Bennison. There were six or eight couples with young children that we became close to, commonly bonded through our deep respect and love for our pastor, Chuck. It was a time in our lives that spiritual leadership could have been undermined by the demands of parenting, career, struggling to "succeed" in the world, but Chuck was a constant reminder of the importance of keeping our Christian faith at the top of our agendas for daily life. How did he do it? Best of all, by example. His integrity is unmatched; his dedication to his chosen career foremost. His preaching was soul-touching. We never wanted to miss it. He loved us well. And by us, I mean all in his flock, all in the congregation he ministered to.

Our first son was born in 1979, and Jim and I naturally asked the finest man we knew, Chuck, to be his godfather. Six weeks later, we lost our son to Sudden Infant Death - SIDS - and Chuck and Joan Bennison were the first people we called from the hospital. They were by our sides in a matter of minutes. Chuck's faith and strength bolstered us through a very difficult time. Chuck conducted our baby's funeral. It was a masterpiece of consolation to us. Our second son was born four years later, and Chuck is his godfather. Jim became senior warden, and felt privileged to work closely with such a godly man. This was not just our opinion of Chuck; as far as I knew, everyone in the congregation felt the same way. When Chuck and Joan moved to Atlanta, they visited us in Mississippi, and we visited them in Atlanta. Same when Chuck was in Cambridge. When our daughter married in Massachusetts, she wanted Chuck to perform the ceremony, and he did. Our friendship has been strong from 1978 until today. My husband always said that he wanted Chuck "bury him," and when Jim suddenly passed away, Chuck came to Mississippi and did the funeral.

During the years that Chuck was our priest at St. Mark's, he founded a Homeless Shelter, growing to a small apartment building that St. Mark's plus a grant was able to purchase, and the shelter is still functioning today; he founded an Episcopal School, grades K-8, at St. Mark's, and that school is one of the top in the area today; he established a prison ministry; he encouraged and grew the most outstanding Liturgical Arts program that I

The children at St. Mark's school looked up to him, and his leadership in the school was exemplary. Chuck's influence for good in the world is extraordinary.

Chuck Bennison is, like all of us, imperfect. Yet despite his imperfections he embodies the true essence of Christian love more thoroughly than any person I have ever known. The positive impact Chuck has had on me and my family has been enormous. If we multiply that by thousands of others, whose lives Chuck has touched, we find that the value of his work for the church is truly immeasurable.

In conclusion, I humbly ask the court to consider the totality of Chuck's life and works in its deliberations, and to temper your justice with mercy.

Most sincerely,

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Exhibit E

July 22, 2008

To the Court for the Trial of a Bishop:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Bishop Charles Bennison, Jr. I have known Chuck my entire life. My parents joined St. Mark's Episcopal Church when my mother was pregnant with me and there are few memories of my early life that don't involve St. Mark's and Chuck as the leader of our flock.

Chuck facilitated my first introduction to God and I cannot imagine a more qualified mentor. I am a cradle Episcopalian and my faith is grounded in the lessons I learned from Chuck when I was a child. God is merciful. God is loving. Christ is the light of the world and our example for what to strive to be. The best life is one lived in service to others. Those lessons, especially the last one, were ingrained in me when I was growing up and Chuck was the example I looked to when I wanted to know what a true Christian looked like.

It's difficult to find the right words to describe a man like Chuck, who had such an impact on how I see the world.

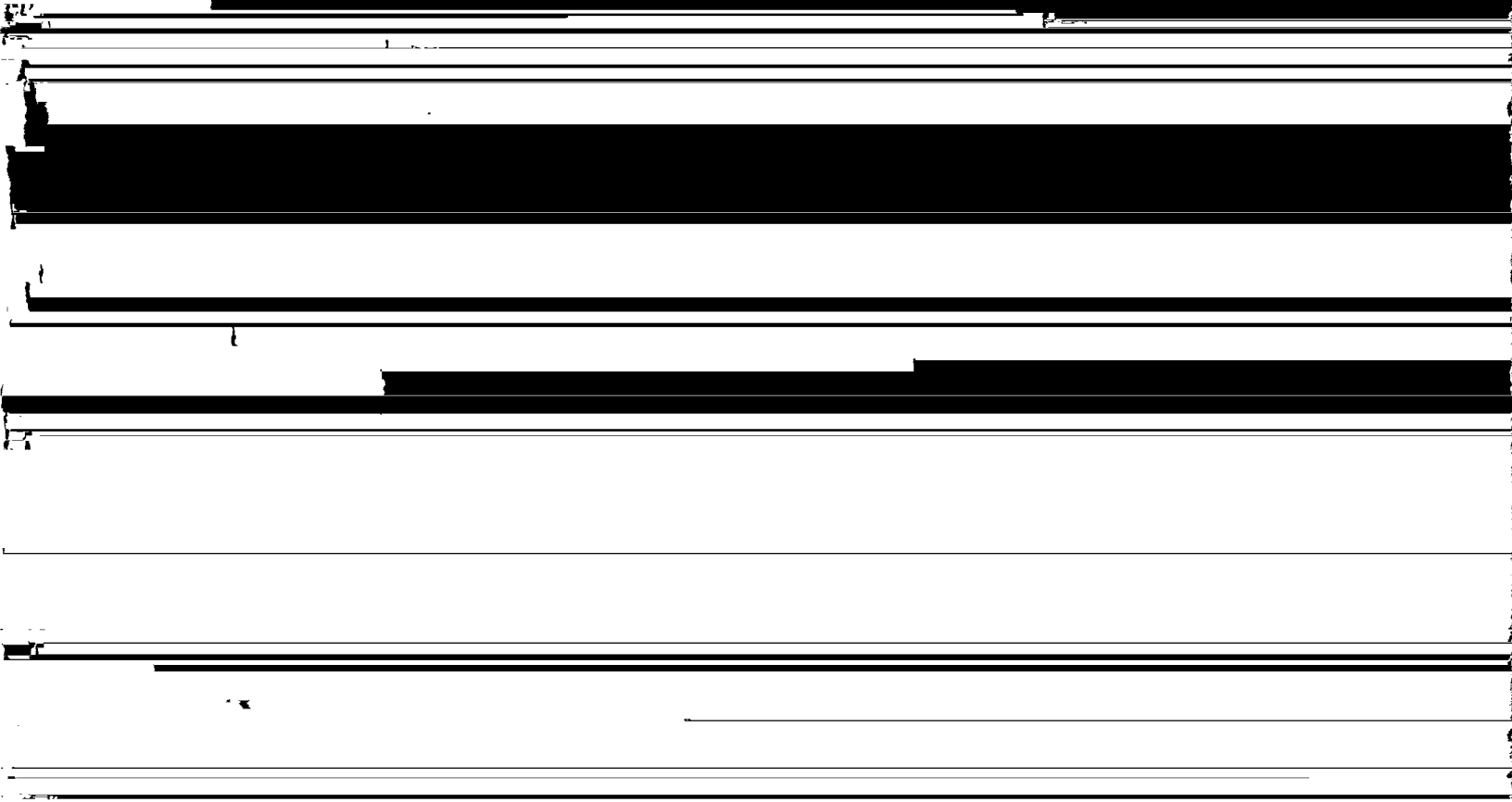
words "loving" and "godly." Chuck taught me, mostly through example, that it is always better to err on the side of generosity, on the side of compassion and on the side of love when faced with difficult choices. Everyone in our parish looked up to Chuck. He is the sort of man who draws people in and to whom people instinctively look for guidance. He is a born leader and those of us who have been lucky enough to have him in our lives are aware of how fortunate the world is that someone like Chuck chose to go into ministry. I have always looked up to Chuck and continue to do so. As a child I would have been mortified at the thought of disappointing him and as an adult I have followed his rise in our Church with great pride. I feel privileged to be a part of an organization that trusts a man like Chuck with such power and responsibility. When I was in high school, Chuck

continue to spread the Good Word as he has done so beautifully for as long as I have known him.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter and please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

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THE REVEREND RICHARD CHARLES ALTON

The Court for the Trial of A Bishop
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July 16, 2008

To the Honorable Judges of the Court for the Trial of A Bishop:

For nine years I served under Bishop Bennison as the 13th Rector of Saint Mark's Church Locust Street, in Center City Philadelphia. In addition to his scheduled visitations, our Bishop frequently worshiped with us at 7:30 a.m. daily masses. His utter devotion to God and his great love for the Church were unmistakable marks of his Episcopate, gratefully noted by me and by the other priests and lay people who served with me in that large and well-known Anglo-Catholic parish. During my time in Philadelphia I served as a clergy delegate to Diocesan Council and a host rector to the diocesan youth group. My wife Barbara was an employee of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, serving as the Bishop's Executive Assistant. Throughout my tenure in Philadelphia I had frequent contact with my Bishop on many levels.

Bishop Bennison is a wise pastor, discreet, infinitely courteous and enormously generous. Despite the size of the diocese and the very real demands on his time, he met with me frequently to discuss my work, to learn more about the people I was endeavoring to serve and to set forth his expectations for looking after my spiritual, physical and emotional well being. He is an expert of change and renewal in a large, complex

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