

PROCURATOR-ADVOCATE MANDATE

Having completed 14 years of age, being a registered member of St. Martin de Porres Parish (Parish) in the Diocese of Fort Worth or otherwise living within the parish boundaries, or being a member of the *de facto* association of the faithful known as the FRK Advocates, the Undersigned is grieved and scandalized by the actions taken against the Reverend Richard Kirkham, Pastor of the Parish, by the Most Reverend Michael Olson, Bishop of Fort Worth. I support efforts by the FRK Advocates to obtain the return of Father Kirkham as Pastor of the Parish, the restoration of his good name, and an apostolic visitation of the Diocese. Those involved with these actions have not been engaged in pursuit of an agreeable resolution and the situation has reached a point that encourages representation under Canon Law to pursue these goals.

To pursue these goals in accord with the Canon Law of the Catholic Church, I hereby appoint Philip C. L. Gray, J.C.L., 85882 Water Works Rd., Hopedale, OH 43976, as my Procurator and Advocate in accord with the norms of Canon Law. By this mandate, I allow him to act in my name as the law allows, and to represent and guard my interest in judicial and administrative processes of the Catholic Church. This mandate grants Mr. Gray the right to file petitions, receive all notifications and make due responses as the law allows, receive a copy of any ecclesiastical acts, file a defense brief, place appeal against interlocutory sentences and decrees, place appeal against the final pronouncement if this is seen to be in my best interest, and place all other acts usually allowed procurators and advocates within both judicial and administrative procedures. This mandate grants him the power to make appeals to the Holy See, even to the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura.

Mr. Gray may appoint a substitute procurator or advocate *pro tem*, whose power cannot exceed the limits of this mandate, if the following conditions are met:

- (1) Mr. Gray is impeded from acting.
- (2) Action is necessary in order to protect a right or advance my interests.
- (3) I retain the right to revoke the substitute's mandate.

If it becomes necessary for a procurator or advocate to be appointed to pursue my interests before any dicastery of the Holy See, Mr. Gray has the power to make such an appointment on my behalf.

This mandate is restricted by the following conditions:

- (1) I grant him the authority to pursue my intentions stated above; namely, to pursue the return of Father Kirkham to the Parish as its Pastor, to pursue the restoration of his good name, to pursue an apostolic visitation of the Diocese of Fort Worth, and to pursue all other acts associated by circumstance necessary to protect my interests in this situation.
- (2) I retain my right to receive all notifications and reply personally.
- (3) Mr. Gray cannot renounce the action or strike a bargain binding in law without special mandate.

Signature above, printed name: _____

Date

Address: _____

City, State, Zip. _____

Authentication of Signature on Mandate and Affirmation

On _____ 2019, _____
(Month/Day) (Printed name front page of mandate)

appeared to us. He/She is personally known to us or proved on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to us that he/she executed the same in his/her capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

(Witness Signature)

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

(Witness Signature)

