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Fr. David Johnson
Franciscan Friar (OFM)
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Personnel Profile

St. Barbara Province

Date OCTOBER 3, 1988

Name Johnson DAVID
Last Name Baptismal name Religious Name
— I Prefer use of Baptismal Religious, Family name: (Circle which one)
Parents: ORVAL Johnson KATHRYN DICKERSON
Father's name Mother's Maiden name
BirthPlace FT. KNOX, Ky Birthdate 3-5-51
Baptism _____
Place of Baptism _____ Date of Baptism _____
Date for Feast-day 3-5-51
Which date do you wish to celebrate: FEAST-DAY / BIRTHDAY (Circle one)

Social Security Number: [REDACTED]

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Investiture: 1975 Sept. SACRAMENTO, ST. FRANCIS

Date Place

Simple Vows: 1977 Jan 82 ST. ANTHONY'S SEMINARY, Santa Barbara

Date Place

Solemn Vows: 1983 Sept. ST. ELIZABETH'S, OAKLAND

Date Place

Priesthood: 1984 DEC ST. CHRISTOPHER, LAS VEGAS, NEV. JAMES Lyke

Date OFM JOHN 1

Ordaining Prelate

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**FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF CALIFORNIA, INC.
(O.F.M.)**

FR. DAVID JOHNSON

Education:

From (year) to (year)

Place

GradeSchool

High School

College

Jr.Seminary

Novitiate

Philosophy

Theology

PostGrad.Wrk

Special Accomplishments:

Assignments: (add additional page as needed)

Dates (in Chronol. Order)

Position Held

Place

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NOTIFICATIO

De Vestitione in Primo Ordine
Ad Min. Provlem Transmittenda

Nomen candidati:

Nomen ordinis:

Nomen baptismi: DAVID

Nomen familiae: JOHNSON

Nomen parentum:

Patris, nomen baptismi: Orval

Matris, nomen baptismi et nativitatis (maiden-name):

..... Kathryn Dickerson

Nativitatis:

Dies-mensis-annus: 5 Martii 1951

Civitas, Dioecesis, Status: Fort Knox, Military Ordinariate (arch. Ludovicopolitana, KY)

Baptismi:

Dies-mensis-annus: 18 Martii 1951


Ecclesia: Stae. Familiae

Civitas, Dioecesis, Status: Louisville archidioeceseos Ludovicopolitanae, Kentucky

Vestitionis:

Dies-mensis-annus: 13 Septembris 1975

Locus: Sacramento, California

Officiator: 

Festum Patroni:

Dies-mensis: 5 Martii

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DECLARATION OF INTENTION

BEFORE INVESTURE IN THE FIRST ORDER

(Gen. Const., Art. 158:1, B)

BY THESE PRESENTS, I

David John

declare that of my own free will I ask to be admitted to the Order of Friars Minor in the Province of St. Barbara.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name this 4 day of Sept
in the year of Our Lord 19 75

City Sacramento County Sacramento

State California

(Signature)

David John

(Superior)

Harold Moran O.F.M.

(Witness)

[Redacted]

(Witness)

Martin Lato, O.F.M.

O.F.M. JOHN 1

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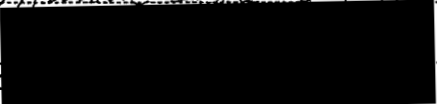
DECLARATION CONCERNING FREEDOM FROM DISEASES

(Gen. Const. Art. ~~128~~, #1, A)

Place SACRAMENTO
CALIFORNIA
Date SEPT 4, 1975

This is to certify that I, the undersigned, in accordance with the General Constitutions of the Friars Minor, Art. ~~128~~, #1, A, am free from all contagious, epileptic, or any other serious or lasting malady, or sickness, and that I have been informed that my reception and profession would be invalid should I be subject to any of the aforementioned sicknesses and have concealed the fact.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name this 4 day of SEPT.
in the year of our Lord 1975

(Signature) David Johnson
(Witness) Harold Moran OFM
(Witness) Martin Soto OFM
(Superior) 

DECLARATION AND RELEASE

NOTE: To be signed by candidate (GG.CC.158:1C) on arrival and signature to be witnessed by two brothers of the order.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That I, the undersigned, being about to enter the Roman Catholic religious order known as the ORDER OF FRIARS MINOR (incorporated under the laws of the State of California as THE FRANCISCAN FATHERS OF CALIFORNIA, and hereinafter referred to as the "religious order"), do hereby attest and declare that I am entering said religious order voluntarily and of my own free will, and am not acting under force, coercion or undue influence of any kind.

That for good and sufficient consideration and in consideration of the benefits received and to be received as a candidate, postulant, novice or member of the said religious order, I am prepared to and hereby promise and agree to give without compensation all of my services freely and to perform any and all work required of me by my superior in said religious order; and that for myself and my heirs I do hereby waive and forever discharge any and all right or claim which I might otherwise have to any wages, compensation, remuneration, annuity, pension or reward for the time that I shall devote or for the services or work that I shall perform with or for said religious order during the time I remain in said order, and do hereby expressly release said religious order from any claim on account thereof.

I understand and agree that the provisions of the Rules and Discipline of said religious order, and the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws of The Franciscan Fathers of California, a California corporation, now in force and as hereafter amended, and the Canon Law of the Roman Catholic Church, and the substantive law of the State of California relating to the subject matter hereof are incorporated herein, and are to govern the interpretation and determine the legal effect of this instrument.

I do further certify that I have read and fully understand the foregoing instrument and that I sign and execute the same voluntarily.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this 4 day of Sept,
1975, at Sacramento, California
(city, state)

ACCEPTED and signature witnessed on behalf of said religious order

(Signature)

(Witness)

(Witness)

(Superior)

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January 1977

David Johnson: first and only semi-annual report novitiate

This is based on David's past four months with us at the novitiate. Already you have the Novitiate teams votation and recommendation of David for first Profession.

I will assume both competence and responsibility for this report. This for two reasons; first, Koren was not living with David for the first two months, second, Kaymond has helped David in the capacity of Spiritual Director and hence confidentiality enters. All members of the team and David will review this report.

First, I would like to affirm David in several areas and indicate the direction our dialogue took on some points from previous directors. I believe, and have experienced, David to be capable of tenderness and deep compassion. David is most reflective, though not as much as he appears to be, and prayerful. Gifted as he is with a certain natural charm, he strives from christian conviction to have a simple graciousness to others. Jesus and Francis are very real for David and being a franciscan is seen by him as a life to be lived more than as a label. I half suspect his delayed, and well thought out, desire for profession shows his uneasiness in claiming something as an accomplishment that he envisions as a challenge. David did well with a new class by making some friends. David commands respect, at times too brusquely, and does have a definite presence. All this coupled with his voluntary joining of the desert experience indicate a marked degree of interiorization of values and a good degree of religious maturity.

David and I talked about observations from the past. While the past comes back to haunt us all, David should be credited with real advance. He has real ego strength and has battled with a certain rigidity. Some questions pertaining to this rigidity were in areas of sexuality and aggression. Emotionally David is most affectionate (He would argue this a bit) and can give affection to younger and older people. There is some concern on my part that David gain confidence in this area with peers of both sexes. He understands this and sees the need for personal relationships outside the formation and friar context.

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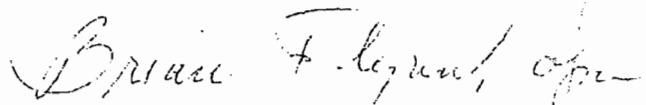
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We both agreed to real growth in areas of acceptance into an adult world, lessening of anxiousness and insecurity and a need to develop talents and skills in order to serve and have satisfaction. David wants to finish his education and would like to direct it as much as possible in the areas of Black studies and theology. All along there has been some concern indicated on David's ability to fit in to the Order as it is now and to live with people who do not share his values. Perhaps in his earlier life this was seen as intransigence. Personally, from living with David as brother, Novice Master and Superior (and as friend) I do not see this now. The question of renewal is not over, all of us who love the vision of Francis want to search and struggle more with our fraternal life and ministry. I am happy that David has principles and strong values. I suspect that some of David's unease with some of our students and novices reflects on their values more than on his. That is a judgment; I will stand by it, till proven in error.

David found his time in Mission San Antonio last March most helpful. We referred to his evaluation with you and the points discussed there as watersheds. Prayer, future work and relationship to the greater Church are all areas of continued growth from then to now.

There is a quality in David that is singular and should be mentioned. With a phrase, a look and a gentleness that I find very beautiful he is very appreciative of all the friars who have entered his life.

In the realm of the Spirit gratitude disposes us more to God than anything else. David knows gratitude, feels it and brings it to praise. For all of us who hold him in such esteem our wish is that his profession will be an opening for more of this praise to come to expression.



Brian Flynn, O.F.M., Director of Novices

NOTITIA

Peractae Votorum Temporariorum Professionis
Ad Ministrum Provinciale Mittenda
Const. Gles. Art. 76

Nomen profitentis:

Nomen ordinis: David Ector
Nomen baptismi: semeas in baptism - David Ector
Nomen familiae: Johnson

Status (clericus, laicus, sacerdos):

Locus originis profitentis: Fast Knox Kentucky

Professionis:

Dies-mensis-annus: 8 January 1977 - Christ King Chapel
St. Anthony's Sem
Sta. Barbara.

Documentum emissae professionis temporariae subscripserunt:

Neo-professus: David E Johnson
Testis: [REDACTED]
Testis: Melvin C. Sustisick, OFM
Professionem recepit: John J. O'Connell, OFM, Prov.
Delegationem ad professionem recipiendam concessit:

Haec notitia concordat cum professionis temporariae attestazione in librum ad id destinatum relata.

John J. O'Connell, OFM

Magister Novitiorum

CESSION OF ADMINISTRATION AND DISPOSITION OF USUFRUCT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I David Ecton Johnson,
otherwise known as Friar David E. Johnson, O.F.M., now of 2011 - 38th Avenue,
Oakland in the County of Alameda
and the State of California

IN CONSIDERATION of the laws of the Roman Catholic Church concerning the administration of the property, its use and usufruct, of a member of a religious community acknowledged by said Roman Catholic Church (Codex Juris Can. 569,580),

First: Do hereby cede the administration of any and all property, whether real, personal or money which I now have or which may accrue to me therefrom, to my father, Mr. Orval Ecton Johnson
now residing in the County of Maricopa, State of Arizona,
and I do hereby constitute and appoint him to be my attorney-in-fact for such administration giving unto him full power and authority to make all contracts and to do all other acts and things of every kind and nature whatsoever, necessary in and about said administration, including the sale and conveyance of real property, as effectually as I myself could do if personally present, and

Second: I do hereby ordain, declare and direct that all the use and usufruct of said property, to-wit: the interest, rents, income, securities, royalties, bonuses and all other benefits arising from or out of such property, shall be disposed of or expended by my said attorney-in-fact as he may see fit, according to his best judgment, and

Third: I hereby ratify and confirm all acts that my said attorney-in-fact may lawfully do in pursuance of the power herein conferred.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this fourteenth
day of December in the year of our Lord 19 76.

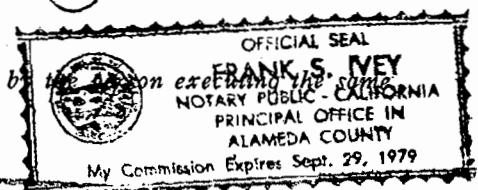
(Signature)

NOTE: This instrument should be acknowledged before a Notary Public by the person executing the same.

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Frank S. Ivey





March 17, 1976

Mission San Antonio de Padua, Jolon, California † Founded 1771

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing to you asking for your permission to return to Las Vegas for the summer. This is my first permission request, so I feel a little awkward, but will try to express my reasons clearly.

Las Vegas is running another summer program. It will include the months of June, July and August. It will basically be the type of program I was involved in and ran for the previous four years. I believe that the combination of the community in Las Vegas, the type of work involved and my own love helped me grow in many ways while I was there. I know I have changed in many ways and believe that Las Vegas still has much to offer me in my growth. I also believe I have much to offer to Las Vegas' success. I do not believe one summer was like the rest and feel that it is possible to continue my growth in the summer situation. Maricela has taught me a great many things. I would like to test them against things I have already done to see if they

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are taken into all the my eyes and the way I
want to open to it.

I will have had more months to reflect on
many of the things I did in Las Vegas. I feel
this time has allowed me to sort many things
out and has given me a desire to try the
program again with renewed effort and
excitement. If I didn't feel it would give me
the opportunity to learn and grow it would not
ask to return. There are many ways I could
see the program as being different from the past.
My relationships with people I work with, my
commitment to prayer as an important part of my
day and work, learning to give of myself more
freely to the kids, sharing my feelings with the
people I live with (particularly Anne Citala who
has been a great aid to me) and learning how
to play are all areas I feel I need to grow
and can this summer.

Norman has also caused me to ask some
hard questions about myself. Questions I don't
feel I had really considered before. I have
become aware of my need of intimacy more
~~than~~ than I had in the past. I have come to
realize my attraction to Judy didn't do myself



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to work that I'm less than satisfied about
and see this as a serious drawback. I have
also come to question my judgement of other
people. I use my standards, my values, and
I ride them off too quickly. All these areas
I would also like to consider. There are many
people in San Diego I know well and feel I
could talk to ~~them~~ about these things. I
believe I could use some distance from the
noviciate experience, not because I don't like
it or it has not been fruitful, but because
I think I could best receive answers to
these questions elsewhere. Since there is a better
place for me to ask to go there. Thank you for
your consideration. I have already talked to
John and Jane about it.

As I try to sort out my plans for the
coming year I will write you again for your
advice and permission. I hope to do so
soon. If I see you and you have the time

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perhaps we could talk about your ideas. I
already know to see how you like them. You
might also tell me some of your circumstances.

I realize you are very busy, I respect
you and admire the concern and dedication
you show for everyone. I will remember you
in my prayers hopefully they'll help.

Sincerely,

Daniel Johnson
Nurs.

March 18, 1976

Dear David:

Many thanks for your letter of March 17th. I really appreciate the sincere searching that you indicate. And I know it is hard to express all this.

John had written to me about your request for the Summer in Las Vegas. And I am more than happy to have you go there for the many good reasons which you point out. The programs that you started will be helped with your presence and your work with the young people will give you a chance to assess many of the things you write about.

Your impressions of the novitiate are very positive and this is encouraging. The diversity of backgrounds that the novices bring to the year seems to be an enriching experience. And I can see that you have been able to take advantage of this.

I will be looking forward to seeing you so that we can talk over the plans for next year, as you mention. I had hoped that I might get to San Antonio while you were there. So far it does not look as though I will get the chance. Perhaps when you get back to Sacramento we will get the opportunity.

The friars here are all well. With a little rain to help, the gardens are beginning to shape up. This has been a dry year for Oakland.

Many thanks for your remembrance in your prayers. And be assured that you and all the class are surely in mine. Regards to all.

Fraternally in Christ and
St. Francis,

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DAVID JOHNSON - first semi-annual report, novitiate - March 1976

THE PROFESSED COMMUNITY had mixed observations about Dave:

On the one hand, he seems to be using the novitiate year pretty well; prayer is important to him; he is open and willing to learn.

On the other hand, he gives the impression of being rude and flippant (e.g., in answering the phone): he needs to learn to live with people the way they are. He seems to make snap judgements. In many ways he seems to be an adolescent: he lacks gentility and flexibility (people do not ordinarily relate to one another in blunt truthfulness). What is the motivation for his good deeds? Apparently he does not see the value of regular participation in daily Mass. Why? (Perhaps because of the style, rather than because of the frequency; but what does this say about his criteria?) Some have doubts about Dave.

MY OBSERVATIONS:

During the first six months of novitiate, Dave seems to have made some progress in continuing the growth that was noticed in Las Vegas (able to relate to people warmly, a sense of being accepted by people who were important according to his values, an acceptance of his own self-worth, an openness to criticism). At the same time I think that he feels that he has lost some ground as well, perhaps in the same areas: a feeling of not being accepted (and not accepting) because others live by values that he does not share (and that he says he does not want to share); a lack of responsible criticism (perhaps because he sets up the standards for the criticism).

His behavior is described in the comments of the professed friars (above); in addition, he is diligent in preparing and participating in class, very punctual and responsible about what is asked of a novice, not too consistent about housework (but thorough, and also more consistent after he was told about it). He has been very responsive to advice, has tried to establish regular visits with a spiritual advisor, has done quite a bit of good solid spiritual reading (especially in recent months), and is prayerful in an unnoticed way. He is very reflective. I think that he has rightly wanted and needed more criticism from the group, but he intimidates some because of his quick, incisive comments and negative reactions. Recently he was able to communicate and receive honest reactions and criticism with the other novices. He feels that this is for the better, and is open to growing closer to them, even though he can't see too much in common at present.

David is a very warm person, of great loyalty, of quite superior intelligence with good capacity to verbalize his thoughts (but not always equally adept in communicating his feelings). He has high standards for himself that are real, I believe. He is very innocent, basically, and genuine. He is an integral man.

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David Johnson - March 1976 - page two

Several months ago I asked David to consider his motivation: was his practice of justice and charity, poverty and concern for the poor and the dispossessed related in his mind to his conscious belief in God and his understanding of what it means to be a Christian. Did he see his life as a Franciscan getting its energy from a personal commitment to God through Christ, however confused it might be? I suggested to him that if he could not see the connection between his life and his beliefs, that he might be running the risk of living a split life that would do little good to either part, and that he should seriously consider leaving. I indicated that these were hard questions, but meant only as questions, not as my opinion. I feel that he has really taken these questions seriously.

As far as effort goes, Dave has used his time in the novitiate very profitably, especially in the past few months.

He is in no hurry to make profession, and we talked about the possibility of him taking a month off for a type of solitude in the summer or fall, when he might go camping. We also talked about the possibility of him going back to Las Vegas for a few months to get some distance from the present group and to receive some reinforcement in his values and efforts from people whom he admires and trusts. He is quite willing to make up the canonical time in a novitiate house later on.

I think that he has changed his attitude toward school: he wants to return to school and finish college.

I guess that my basic question about Dave is: how happy will he be in living the Franciscan Life as it is, and with the hopes it offers? How realistic are his desires? Is he not only willing but capable of living with others who do not share his values or his approach to Franciscan values?



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SELF-EVALUATION: David Johnson - March 1976

I feel that the past five and one-half months at noviciate have been very profitable. I believe I have become aware of many areas that are lacking in the full spirit of the gospels or human well being. The most important of these areas are: work - I feel that my participation is lacking in jobs that "aren't what I want to do" or limited by the fear of inability to perform them; intimacy - I don't think it is a question I have dealt with before, and feel a great need to; community life - I have a tendency to write off people I don't like without making efforts to become acquainted with them, and I feel reluctant to share my ideals with people I don't feel (but don't know) share them; poverty - I feel myself attached to more things than I am comfortable with and I have a "my" attitude about a lot of things; obedience - I am still slow to ask permission if there is the chance to be refused, I still have a fear of getting denied rather than an interest in gaining new input from the person in charge.

There are areas that I feel I have made progress in and these areas are: prayer - I feel more comfortable with more formalized prayer and a certain commitment to "pray" regularly; future work - I have admitted (not wholly accepted) the need to have some type of talent or skill to offer both to help me and those I am to serve; relationship to greater church - a minor point, but one that I feel at the moment, I have come to respect and see a need to remain with the larger body of the church.

I think the direction I want to take in the next part of noviciate is to work on the points mentioned already as being deficient. I think what I need to do is find a director that I can go easily to and talk these things over with. I am especially concerned with the areas of work and intimacy. There are also some past failures that I need to express openly to someone and talk over to come to understand them and overcome my guilt associated with them. I must also come to grips with the kind of service I am being called to that I might prepare for it without floundering any more years.

After David and I talked about my report and this evaluation, we went over the possibility of his going back to Las Vegas this summer for apostolic work; in the Fall he would go back to school (at Las Vegas?), and then in June 1977 he would return to a house of novitiate to spend the required time in a canonical house for reflection, study and prayer. I think that he would use the time well, and there would be no serious reason at that time why he would have to join another group of novices. I told him that during the year from June 1976 to June 1977 I would be concerned that there be some friar to whom he could be responsible and who would be responsible for him, especially in the areas that he has indicated above, and others which might come to his and my attention in the meantime.

I feel pretty positive about Dave's thinking and his efforts at this time.

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November 29, 1976

Very Reverend and Dear Fr. Provincial,

This is to inform you that on Wednesday, November 24, after previous discussion, the Novitiate Team met and voted in the affirmative that David Johnson be admitted to First Profession. We would like to take this occasion to commend David for the fine manner in which he has lived with the novitiate community. His presence has been positive and has spoken of his interiorization of Gospel values and of his development of outstanding character. We feel that it has been fortunate for the other novices to have had his example.

We would like to make two suggestions based on our concern for David's assignment. First, that his desire to finish his education be given top priority. He has in the past few months discerned some possible avenues for his education to be preparatory to a ministry to the poor and the Blacks which should be respected as call. Second, should he be assigned to the Seminary, it would be primarily for the good fraternal life which he values and for the possibility of probing educational opportunities and only secondarily to help in the seminary work.

We are genuinely interested in David's development, and it is in that spirit of interest that the above observations are made. We will be in contact about details as to place, date and time of Profession.

Fraternally,

Brian Flynn of m., Lic. Nov.



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DAVID JOHNSON -- First semi-annual report after simple profession -- July 1, 1977

Dave has been with us now for six months. He has helped out by teaching math and Black studies, for which the faculty is very grateful. During the last semester, he has grown to become a very vital member of our community. This summer he will be attending the Renewal Institute at the Old Mission, and then next semester, he will be a full-time student at UCSB. He will also serve SAS as sophomore moderator, but will not be teaching any classes here.

As a friar, Dave has added a great deal to our community by his presence, and I think this is one of his strongest assets. Whenever we are together, we enjoy having him with us. I don't mean that he entertains us, but that he brings a certain presence with him that has become very important to all of us.

In his prayer life, he seems to be pretty regular. During the school year, he attends the daily liturgy, which is important to the students, and which he feels is important to him. We have talked about his own prayer life, particularly in terms of meditation and contemplation, and he recognizes the need to be more regular about this and not leave it up to "when the spirit (no caps!) moves." We have spoken about his reluctance in volunteering or sharing his thoughts when we have a dialogue homily or a discussion about the spiritual life. His reluctance is part of an old problem of self-confidence.

His concept of minority seems to be based on deep convictions, and he easily identifies with the poor, especially in terms of Black youth. He brings this gift with him from Las Vegas, and it has been a valuable influence and witness among us, both for the students and the faculty. Like most of us, this identification with the poor doesn't have much chance for expression in our institutional framework. I have spoken to him of the challenges he has to offer in this regard to us. I would hate to see him drift into taking the status quo of things around here for granted. He has assured me that he has not, and that he does challenge himself -- and others when he feels it is necessary.

Dave's sense of responsibility is very keen. He speaks often of how much he prepares classes and it seems he does put a great deal of thought into his presentations. He has experienced some frustration with some courses, but this may be because 1) it is normal for the first year of teaching, 2) he has not had the benefit of teacher-training, and 3) he is reluctant to "take up people's time by asking questions." Another manifestation of his lack of self-confidence.

One thing that impressed me very much during the past semester was a remark that Dave made about what he would prefer the school be like. It was quite different and more liberal than the rest of us would want for the school, and Dave knew it. Still, he could support what the community is doing, and his support is apparently whole-hearted. I think that kind of loyalty is very commendable, and it comes across as the kind of support that adds strength to our spirit and promises creativity from among us.

I think that a lot of rough edges have been honed down on Dave's personality. On the one hand, he has some very strong opinions of certain students (I don't know about fellow friars), and these opinions are based on his own principles and convictions. While I do think there is room for more tolerance in his attitude, I also think he has learned to put up with more of the weaknesses and differences in others' personalities. He does not get upset with some people, and speaks of dismissing them rather easily, but to all appearances, this is not more than the usual frustration we all feel from time to time. I really feel he has mellowed a great deal--without compromising what he believes in.

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DAVE JOHNSON--July, 1977, cont.

Dave has a warm personality which he shares easily with most people. He is warm and sensitive with the students, especially with the ones he respects and admires or is trying to help. I have questioned him about how those at a distance might feel when they don't get his approval or attention. He is not afraid to touch students, which some appreciate and need from time to time. I would suggest that he continue this closeness, but I have cautioned him to be careful not to exclude others and to be careful to notice if sometimes one or the other student would rather not be touched.

Along these same lines, I have noticed much warmth and personalism growing between Dave and the other younger members of our community. I feel Dave and Eloy as lower-class moderators will work well as a team, and Dave's friendship with John Linder will be a good channel of communication between the upper and lower divisions. Furthermore, these are men his age, and it is good that he relates well with them as peers.

With the older friars, Dave is a little more reserved. He is not aware of how much he means to both Mel and myself. He worries a lot about Mel's opinions of himself, and he misinterprets some of Mel's jesting for real criticism. I have spoken to him about this, but it is hard for him to get his intellectual side to convince his emotional side that he is doing well. Also, Dave feels shy about meeting other friars who come here to visit or who may be at the Mission when we visit there. This shyness is even more evident with regard to accepting invitations from lay people, especially when they are given to us as a community. I have indicated to him that sometimes we just all have to accept invitations as a community outing, and he has agreed to this.

By now it is evident, I am sure, that his biggest area for improvement is in self-confidence. We have spoken of his getting counselling, and he is seeing Tom Messner regularly--primarily to take lessons on giving counselling, but secondarily to get some positive help in feeling better about himself. I think he talks well with me, and he has indicated that on the home front, his visits with me help clarify things until he can go into depth about them with Tom.

The only other thing I would like to see Dave work on would be on sharing his feelings and "where he's at" with the rest of us more. My hope is that he doesn't feel this would be unimportant to us. He really should contribute more to our times of sharing provided in our various common prayers. We have spoken about this also, and he does see the need to let others know where he is.

In all, Dave is a great addition to our fraternity, and I feel confident that he is doing well among us. We are grateful to the Province for sending him to us.

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st. anthony seminary



May 1st, 1980
santa barbara, california, 93105, 966-447

Dear [REDACTED]

This is just to formally invite you to the graduation ceremony of this year senior class. The entire celebration starts at 4 pm with mass followed by dinner and then the ceremony itself at 8 pm. You would be most welcome and nice to have around at any or all of it. You have been to them? Last year you were called away to more important matters. In the past the Provincial has always said a few words of wisdom to the graduating class. I know we would be honored to hear some from you. That all occurs during the 8 pm ceremony itself. I think you might also pass out the diplomas. If John Vaughn comes you might get preempted — big disappointment I'm sure. It will all hopefully be worked out in the near future.

I hope June 7th is open for you and that no catastrophic event takes you away again. From where I sit it

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is always an extreme pleasure to have you around. I hope you can make it.

Things here are starting to take on a "it's near the end" face about them. I'm not sure who looks forward to it more, the students or us. It is probably a toss up.

Hope you are well. Let us know as soon as you can.

Joe,
Dan John

Unrecorded off
5/9/80

SEMI-ANNUAL SELF-EVALUATION OF THE SIMPLE PROFESSED

Name DAVID JOHNSON Period: ??? to DEC 1978

1. Evaluate your growth as a Christian and as a Franciscan during the past six months.

As a Christian I do fair.
I have completed my college work. That was a major goal for me. I have started to ask myself some very basic questions about the type of life I might be choosing. I have become more friendly and visit people outside my work here at SATS. That is hard for me so I hope to do better. I think I have seen a few things that make life worth smiling and have sought them with great energy. I don't know if this is all good. It seems that God may have taken a back seat in some aspects.

2. What are your goals for the next six months?

Community life is nice but it seems to be lacking in certain elements I tell myself are essential. It could also be I am not able to use and get the greatest good out of what is present. Many questions revolve around the issue of intimacy. I hope to settle this question by mid year. The friars may not be the best place for me, but it might. It is an issue I have come to but recently. I must do better at prayers also.

3. Have you discussed your growth with your local director?

YES, A LITTLE BIT. MONTHLY AS YOU ASKED.

4. Have you been in touch with your spiritual counselor? How often?

I AM NOT SURE I HAVE ONE.

5. Have you planned your preparation for ministry with your particular director? your theological growth?

1st = NO. MY THEOLOGY GROWTH LOOKS AS A FRIGHTENING BORE. I HAVE NO DESIRE PRESENTLY TO LIVE OR SCHOOL IN THE CITY AREA.

6. Is there any question or comment you would like to refer to the Minister Provincial?

I AM AMAZED THAT SOMEONE COULD SPEND TIME WITH SOMETHING SO TRIVIAL AS REPROFESSION (YEARLY). IT IS ANOTHER "IMPORTANT" ITEM THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH REAL LIFE.

7. Is there any question or comment you would like to refer to the Director of Formation?

I THINK YEARLY PROFESSION IS SILLY. SOMETIMES THE PETTINESS OF MUCH OF WHAT IS SAID AND DONE IS DRAINING. ENDLESS TALKS ARE A WASTE OF ENERGY.

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Record of renewal of simple profession by David Johnson

I, David Johnson, promise you and all the Friars of St. Barbara Province to live for one year the Rule of the Friars Minor by living in obedience, without property, and in chastity.

This profession was made at Santa Barbara, January 10, 1979.



Witnessed by

Fri Robert Van Handel, OFM

January 1979

Semi-annual Report for David Johnson, O.F.M.

This first part of the report will consist of comments made without reference to David's self evaluation which is enclosed with this report. The second part will be my reflections on the self-evaluation before discussing it with David. The third part will be reflections, if I feel they are needed, after discussing it with David. Finally, everything sent to you will have been read and discussed with David.

I think David has done very well here at St. Anthony's. He is very much a part of the community, and he seems to relate well to all members of the fraternity. He takes part in community events such as office, Liturgy, meetings, recreation, and the rest. While he would, I think, feel some improvement could be made in some of these categories, I think that is the case for all of us. We can always improve. David is in there with us in all aspects of our fraternal life-is what I want to say.

This year is one of searching with David, and with this searching, I think, some haunting discontent with the way things are. It is low key, but present. This I think will tend to keep David in the search more earnestly, until he finds more exactly what God wants him to do-what he wants to do with his life. I think the Franciscan life is very much a part of David's hopes and dreams, but it is a time to evaluate and consider and to keep within the consideration even life outside the Franciscan fraternity.

In his working and relating with the students here at St. Anthony's, David has done very well. He is able to show them respect, affection, brotherly concern, and be an effective authority figure for them besides. This has been done in the midst of finishing college studies. With these now completed he will be able to expand his influence especially in the classroom .

After reading the self-evaluation I see that it reflects a number of things I talked about above, the searching, the haunting discontent. In discussing this with David, I will ask him to clarify the remarks in # 2 about community life to zero in on any problems there. In the matter of the "yearly" profession, I can see the impatience with that if our life lived day by day is seen as adequate external evidence of a real lived profession of the Franciscan life. On the other hand, I personally can see a value in human rituals which spotlight certain values and motives for action. Human life is so full of rituals of various kinds that this one is hardly superfluous, and it represents a very important aspect of our life . That is my view, and it no doubt reflects my generation. David's generation has a different view of ritual. We will discuss this.

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Semi-annual Report for David Johnson, O.F.M. P.2

After talking with David I realize that the comments under question # 2 refer to problems centering around relating to people and the values of interpersonal relationships. We talked about the limitations to relationships among Friars. Deep personal friendships are certainly part of that, but not with everyone. We discussed the differences between fraternal life and the special relationships of married life. After briefly discussing these points we agreed that David should try to be more vocal in letting the members of the fraternity here know when he feel certain needs in relationships are not being met. We will continue to discuss this in our monthly meetings.

The renewal of profession went very well, and we made it an occasion for all of us to renew our profession after David had made his renewal to me.

I will be up to San Juan on Jan. 26, and will have a chance to talk with you then, if you have any questions on the report. I also can ask you for guidelines for the coming months.

Enclosed is a copy of the signed record of David's renewal. Will you notify [REDACTED] or am I supposed to do that?

My regards to all in your house.

With very best wishes,

[REDACTED]

January 18, 1979

DAVID JOHNSON -- Second semi-annual report after simple profession -- February 4, 1978

David has been with us for 13 months now. He is presently attending UCSB full time, taking courses toward his major, Black Studies. Here at the seminary, he does not teach, but he fills the office of sophomore moderator.

In terms of his contribution to the seminary, I would say that Dave brings a very special willingness to support our work with the students. He shows a great love and concern for them. I have seen him mellow a great deal toward the boys in the last six months. He seems to see further than their external behavior and is more willing to bend with them than he was when he first came here. He is a popular and trusted counsellor. He is a willing listener and enjoys spending time with the students.

In terms of his in-put into our community, on the one hand he is away a lot at the University, but still he manages to be present to us at the times we have set aside to be with each other. He works well with the other friars, and has made some great progress in dealing with differences of approach in terms of how to handle situations. I am referring to the team work that is so essential among the various moderators. Recently we were struggling with some problems related with the students, and because there was good communication among the moderators and the rector, and because Dave did not hold back his contribution and insights, a lot was accomplished among us. It was evident that this was not easy for him, but I was impressed with how he handled the situation, even when it tended to get rather emotional and touch on very personal viewpoints and convictions.

I have noticed that Dave's opinion is highly regarded by his fellow teachers and among us as brothers. I hope this has helped build up his self-confidence. I am not sure, but I think he is more confident in expressing himself to the Rector and older members of the community.

As for his progress as a friar, especially in the spiritual life, I think there has been a lot going on and that he needs to see a spiritual director more regularly. This may be going on, but I have no knowledge of it. This being the case, I have to take part of the blame for not checking up on this more regularly. We have talked a little about continuing conferences with Tom Messner, but because of the distance involved, Dave is reluctant to get to it. When I broach the subject, however, he is pretty willing to open up to me, so perhaps most of his felt-need in the matter is taken care of. I just don't want him to bury things and put them off. He has some doubts--how strong, I do not know--about his future with the friars, and I feel he should be dealing with these on a rather regular basis.

Along the same lines, I think he tends to let community prayer times slip by a bit too easily. I realize that he has a heavy load at school and here with the students, but prayer time is important not only for himself but also as a support for his brothers. I think two things are an influence here: 1) some others of the friars are even less regular than he is and 2) Dave gets very tired. His energy level is low at times, especially when he is discouraged. I recognize this may indicate a need for time to be alone, but this may also point to the need for more regular spiritual direction. I think if any one area should receive our attention, it is this. I will try to be of better service to him.

With regard to regularity at prayer, especially as it touches our weekly Community Mass on Wednesdays, I would like to mention that I see a better evaluation

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on Dave's part as to how important this time is for all of us. Let me explain: Wednesday is a half day and often there are games that run into the time we have set aside for our weekly community liturgy. I think for a while Dave would have much preferred to be with the students, but I get the impression lately that the importance of the Wednesday gathering has increased for Dave. I'm glad to see this not only because it makes it that much less of a chore but especially because I think it indicates a growth in willingness to share deeply in our friar-community's life.

With regard to Dave's Franciscan ideals, until recently, he hasn't said much. However, last week he led a liturgy for the friars in which his ideals about poverty and concern for the poor were expressed. He has suffered some set-backs because of others' remarks, such as "We'll see what you're like in ten years." The remarks didn't come from anyone here, but they did seem to make Dave withdraw and become more reticent about sharing his ideals with his confreres. I don't think he gets much re-enforcement here as we do have somewhat a divided opinion on such things and we all tend to steer clear of discussing things like poverty, simplicity of life style and active involvement with the poor. Again, if he were seeing a counsellor more frequently, he could discuss these things. Also, I think he and I should be in better communication about such things.

In closing, I feel it is important at this point for Dave to get more regular spiritual direction. When I show him this report, we will discuss it, and then I will add his comments.

ADDENDA: This report was reviewed with David, and the following remarks are based on our interview.

1. With regard to "not teaching," he will be teaching Black Studies during the fourth quarter.
2. Paragraph 2: He wishes he could do more for the boys he counsels. He would like to know more techniques to use in counselling.
3. Paragraph 4: He expressed satisfaction that he can now tell others what he feels about how things are going. For instance, recently he told the Minister that he just could not take any more homilies until the end of his quarter at the University. It was hard to get up the steam to say so; but he felt relieved when he did. There is still a problem in that he needs to express his satisfaction when others show consideration for him because it has happened that he feels relief, but others may may still be under the impression that he is still uptight with them.
4. Paragraph 5: Dave agreed that this is the area he must work very hard on.
5. In general, Dave agreed that the report was pretty accurate. He has since made the move to see Tom Messner on a more regular basis. He has told [REDACTED] that he intends to stay on here next year and is looking forward to it.

1616 Armacost Ave
W. La Grange, Ill.
August 12, 1981

Dear [REDACTED]

Greetings. I hope you are well and in good spirits. I am now in my new "tiny" apartment. I thought I'd write to say hello and let you know how I was doing. No requests — a change from your other mail. I hope it is a pleasant difference.

I've been pretty well. I continually amaze myself at how resourceful I can be. I'm usually not bored and lonely rarely. I never thought I could keep myself so busy. I am really tired by the time I get home. Banking (as a teller anyway) is more work than it pays. Still I go to sleep quickly — and early. As time goes on I may get tired of walking around as I do a lot now, yet the neighborhood is still new and there is much to see.

I purchased a bike to get around on. I still am looking for a car but I think it will take a while before I can afford it. Gas, insurance etc make it impossible at the moment. Walking or cruising on the bike has been great fun. I'm almost even getting back into shape. Walking to work is really nice. I know how long it takes — no worries about fighting traffic It also helps wake me up by the time I get to work.

Work is both good and bad. It pays lousy. That keeps creeping into my mind and making me unhappy. Yet it has given me motivation to

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look for other opportunities. I've thought about how I would "sell" myself to a company. I'm not sure if this is determination or just a realization I'm worth more than I presently make. Yet I may not change for awhile. I need to get settled first. I probably didn't describe the above impulse too well but inside I think it is a good lesson.

I am humbled at work too. I always thought I'd be the greatest thing since the wheel when I went to work. Don't ask me why. I've come to realize there are many people more talented (and certainly more interested) in doing whatever. Bust another balloon. Not that I had images I'd be swept up into management but something like that. I've come to realize it isn't going to work that way - another good lesson. In all of this I've never felt badly about myself but it just seems every now and then a light goes on and I say - oh yeah! There is much I've forgotten and daydreamed wrong.

If it sounds obvious it probably is but - I've realized there is a lot of pettiness and stupidity and insincerity out in the world too. And I thought it was only in community life. Strange how much I'd forgotten. There are some supervisors I'm ready to grab by the throat. It's good

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to be in a position where I just can't tell them to go blow — job security and everything. Maybe learning to work with other people I'm not real fond of or don't respect very much is another area I'll ponder over.

Banking must be the antithesis of religious life. I refuse to distrust people the way they'd like me to. The money isn't worth it to me. A lot of people take it personally if they get cheated. I still get amazed people actually cheat and lie to obtain it. The friars have definitely shaped me. At any rate I'm already ignoring all sorts of rules and regulations. Nothing serious but enough to make the whole process a little more human. If I do say so myself I am one of the more charming tellers.

I do get lonely now and then. Or mostly it is a sense that I want to talk seriously with someone for a change. There isn't anyone immediately around me like there used to be. I've come to think I need to become more dependent on people. Strange how living alone might give me that idea. More and more though I realize how little I wish telling most other folks. I also realize my need for good friends. Perhaps when I get a phone I'll be able to get hold of people I know in the area. Then too maybe I'll learn to

get to know total strangers. That is a skill I could use!

Well enough. I do hope everything is going well for you. More and more I realize how good a man you are - and a good friend. Though it is a thankless job, don't let all the tasks and responsibilities get to you. You fill the position well.

I hope to see you at the professions. I'm trying to be there by Friday but it is a late working day for us. I'll do my best. Give my best to everyone. You are in my thoughts and prayers often. Take care.

as always,
Dave



ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

4. 14 . 83

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for inviting my reflections on David's request for Solemn Profession. You are still, and I once was, in a position of making judgments and decisions on other people's lives - in this case a brother. How delightful it is when through some happenstance or grace, or both, that person's life and character so easily summarizes affirmation.

Over the past nine years I have come to admire David. This because of his external behavior and performance and his sharing with me the inner struggle. It feels good for me to say he will add luster to our company, our brotherhood.

What I like to look for in those who come to us is some inner excellence,

standards and a good sense of self.
Donald pursues all three and has grown
in them while his team has

Another trait I seek in those who
join us is that those they work and minister
to are enriched by the contact. Also that
the friend has the sensitivity to be enriched
and ministered to in the tasks undertaken.

Donald takes his time. His decisions are
labored and well thought out. I feel
while this is based on a natural hesitancy
it also is because he puts his heart in them.

Donald and I and my happiest years in
formation were the sixties. I think still
brings those values I still cherish: simplicity
of life style, care for the minorities (especially
the blacks) and a desire to live an authentic
life.

I am happy to claim not "much" objectivity
(never was my strong suit) because I love Donald
very much and look forward to years for our
challenge and friendship to grow.

Again, thank you for asking me and
Regards - Brian

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

April 11, 1983

Dear Friar:

David Johnson, OFM has requested admission to Solemn Profession/Diaconate/Priesthood. In order to fulfill the requirement of the Plan for Franciscan Living that I give serious and reflective judgment to such a request, I ask your assistance. Please share with me your knowledge of this friar and your recommendation with regard to his request. Your contribution will remain confidential.

In order to give this friar adequate time to make plans if his request should be approved, I ask that you give immediate attention to your recommendation.

I thank you for your assistance in fulfilling my responsibility.

Fraternally,



Provincial Minister

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1500 thirty-fourth Avenue
Oakland, CA 94601

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Provincial Minister (415) 536-3722
Provincial Office (415) 536-1266

*Received 4.13.83
response enclosed*

Brian
JAS
Loren

April 6, 1983

Dear [REDACTED],

I have started to write this letter several times. I'm not sure why I have kept putting it off or leaving it unfinished. I have a history of being slow with decisions perhaps that is the explanation. It hasn't been a problem with the decision I've made. I've been content with it since January, when I celebrated six years of being in simple promises. Though I must confess there is something about the finality of seeing it in black and white (blue and white) that gives me pause. Perhaps that is as it should be. It is an important and serious step I request, after much thought, conversation and prayer I have decided to ask for solemn vows.

There are many reasons that lead me to this choice. First there is a deep conviction I have in the values of Christ as lived through St. Francis. I believe I am firm of faith and this faith leads me in how I act and speak. I would like to be a witness and a servant to the people of the church. My time here at St. Anthony's with the greater community has helped to strengthen that belief in my own calling and abilities to do just that.

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There are many men in the province I respect and admire. I am impressed with the lives they lead and the work they do. I would like to add my own talents to this fraternity. My own community life to this point has not been without pain. I am also not always a joy to live with. Yet I see community as a growth giving way of life. Knowing community with its strengths and weaknesses I see it as something I would like to do.

Close intimate relationships are still crucial in my life. I hope never to become too satisfied with relationships as they are. Friends and friendships are often the guiding force in my life. There is part of me that will probably always yearn for that closeness found only in marriage between two people who love each other deeply. Yet I am content, if that be the word, in choosing something else. Celibacy will be a difficult path. Maybe I will worry when it ceases to be difficult. Yet I can choose it now. I see myself as being settled in this area.

Well I hope this letter finds you in good health and in good spirits. Know you are often in my thoughts and prayers.

as always,



David is a person of strong character, morals, and values. He is a man of faith and conscience. He has considerable intelligence, a deep capacity for affection and a gift for intimate relationship.

Beside these solid qualities there appears at times to be some consternation or stress. In Transactional Analysis language, David seems to have a strong critical parent which constantly calls the child in him to task -- holding up stringent expectations and rarely allowing David to appreciate the beautiful person that he is.

The child tends to swing from compliance to rebellion, which leads him to dissatisfaction with self and feelings of gloom (reverencing authority, struggling with it, defying it, and then feeling guilty).

The critical parent holds high expectations for everyone else as well, and few people seem really to meet the mark. The unprized soon discover themselves and quickly pick up strong disapproval.

In spite of the tension between critical parent and rebel child, David has developed a natural child which slips out on sunny days. He can instantaneously brighten a whole room of people with his charm and wit and gracious manner. In his attractiveness he invites those around him to feel at ease, to feel good about themselves. His presence becomes the occasion for them to embrace hope and meaning in their lives.

Perhaps most endearing in the natural child is David's gift for expressing affection and showing concern to others and for entering into meaningful, wholesome, and intimate relationships.

I would like to suggest the following project to David:

- 1) To shrink both the critical parent and the rebel child (that is, to free himself from never-ending demands and destructive expectations, to become acquainted with and accept his own goodness, gifts, and charm, and to grow to feel comfortable with himself (and therefore to allow others to feel good about themselves around him).

2. To develop the adult (that is to allow the adult to become the mediator between parent and child and to come into its rightful position of managing the whole person).
3. To continue to develop the natural child with its awe and laughter and brightness and wit, all of which is a delight to the world.

David is a noble person. My own life has been enriched by living in community with him this year. His intention to spend some time away seems appropriate and timely, but he will be missed.

June 1, 1983

David Johnson, O.F.M.
St. Anthony's Seminary
2300 Garden St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93105

Dear David:

Well, my son, the day has come. It does seem that it has taken a while, but you have come to your decision and we have come to ours. I am very happy that you have come to the point where you feel that you want to give your life to the friars with permanent profession. I am also more than happy to welcome you. We did approve your request at our recent definitorium meeting and it is my pleasure to give my own approval. I'll look forward to that day when we celebrate your Solemn Profession in the Order.

David, as you know, we've been together a long time and I have a great deal of affection for you. In many ways I do consider you my son. I'm not sure exactly how this profession affects that, but I know the bond will only continue to grow.

David, you have been around the friars and many know you and many like you very much. I know they are happy to have you as a brother. There are many ways that you contribute to the friars. You bring a lot of talents and your own personal charm. After all, it's not every friar that can bring to the Order the capacity to ride a bike across the country. Seriously, you do have a real capacity to give of yourself and this is very important to the Order and to the Church.

David, it is with personal happiness and also happiness on behalf of the province that I send this letter of welcome and encouragement. I look forward to the day of profession itself and the celebration of our brotherhood.

May you have a good retreat and a good summer.

With warm affection,

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May 19, 1982

Dear [REDACTED],

Greetings. I hope you are well and not too harried with meetings and people clinging to you. I've been meaning to write for the past few weeks but I am a professional procrastinator. I could blame it on studies but if God didn't strike me dead for lying I never be able to sleep nights for telling such a huge lie.

I am well. School is starting to demand large amounts of my time. It called catching up. I'm going to try and finish everything by the end of classes. I have no finals and need to be able to get away early.

I am still trying to get into shape for the big trip that is presently supposed to start June 14th from near Portland. I talk to Jim Masterson on the phone and try to get everything settled. I've started running two miles everyday. Actually I still walk some of it. Endurance is yet to become one of my great qualities. I try to ride at least an hour a day too. I hope that ends up being enough conditioning.

I'm writing to ask permission to spend next year in Santa Barbara "teaching". It is rare I write to ask for anything. I usually expect by word of mouth but I thought

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I might try normal channels for a change.

Looking at the situation here in the bay area I do not see a good possibility for a living situation where I might continue my struggle with school. I think Hemet street needs more time to heal the wounds - or maybe just I do. Everywhere else seems out of the question. I also see Santa Barbara as a place where I might renew my interest in "priestly" ministry to give me the interest and energy to finish school. At the moment I could not care less about school. I barely go through the motions.

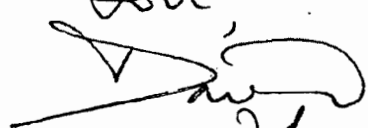
This is a request I have thought long on and talked to several friends about. It obviously has both good and bad points. I hope the years have changed me enough to make the experience there a new and profitable one. I do have some fear that my aggressiveness will cause another tension filled year. I don't seek that and at this point need a year where people are concerned and care about how I'm doing. Of all places I see that as a possibility at St. Anthony's. I also think I could do well there in terms of work.

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If you feel it necessary to get together with me, I can arrange to come over almost anytime. I have already talked with the people down there.

Assuming you will grant my request I've been figuring out how to get my (the province) possessions down South. It is possible I could bring them with me in 3 weeks when I go to the graduation down there. I won't do that if I still haven't heard from you by then but mention it only that I might give you the time table I was imagining (Pressure).

I will let you get back to the more important matters of the province. Needless to say you are in my thoughts and prayers often. Take care.

Love,

Johnson

NOTITIA

Peractae Votorum Sollemnium Professionis
Ad Ministrum Provinciale Mittenda
Const. Gles. Art. 85

Nomen profitentis:

Nomen ordinis:

Nomen baptismi:

Nomen familiae:

Status (clericus, laicus, sacerdos):

Locus originis profitentis:

Professionis:

Dies-mensis-annus:

Documentum emissae professionis sollemnis subscripserunt:

Neo-professus:

Testis:

Testis:

Professionem recepit:

Delegationem ad professionem recipiendam concessit:

Haec notitia concordat cum professionis sollemnis attestazione in librum ad id destinatum relata.

Magister Cléricorum

OATH BEFORE SOLEMN PROFESSION

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

I, DAVID Ecton Johnson, of the Order of Friars Minor of the Province of St. Barbara, attest and confirm that I know the nature and the meaning of the evangelical counsels and understand a perpetual vow with its consequent obligations.

In confirmation of the above I, DAVID Ecton Johnson have taken this oath this 10th day of September in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three.

David Ecton Johnson, O.F.M.

Signed by the above named friar in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names at his request, and as witnesses thereto, in his presence and of each other, on this 10th day of September in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three, at St. Elizabeth's, in Oakland, California.

Samuel Edmund, Jr. Witness

William Brand, Jr. Witness

EXCELLENTISSIMO AC REVERENDISSIMO DOMINO

DEI ET APOSTOLICAE SEDIS GRATIA

Excellentissime ac Reverendissime Domine:

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Quapropter peto humiliter ab Excellentia Vestra Colendissima vel quocumque alio Episcopo in communione cum Sede Apostolica ut promovere velit:

✓ Br. David Johnson, O.F.M.
Br. Benedict Innes, O.F.M.

ad ordinem diaconatus.

Quam gratiam dum a sollicitudine pastoralis summaque caritate Excellentiae Vestrae Illustrissimae ac Reverendissimae haud dubie obtenturum me esse confido, rogo Deum Maximum ut Eandem Ecclesiae suae ac nobis diutissime incolumen servare votorumque omnium semper compotem reddere dignetur.

[REDACTED]
Minister Provincialis

Datum ex conventu nostro ad S. Elisabeth _____,
in civitate Oakland _____, Calif. _____,
die _____, mensis Maii _____, anno 1984 _____,
sub meo chirographo Provinciaeque sigillo.

O.F.M. JOHN 1

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RENUNCIATION

Before Solemn Profession

Place St Elizabeth's Friary
Oakland, Ca

Date 9-10-83

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

I, Frater-Brother (full name) DAVID Johnson,
member of the Order of Friars Minor of the Province of St. Barbara, pursuant to Ecclesiastical Canons
(Can. 581), hereby freely renounce all right to any temporal goods whatever, and I dispose of the
goods which I actually possess, as also of all goods which I may obtain by parental inheritance, in the
manner described in my LAST WILL executed in a separate document.

In confirmation of the above, I, Frater-Brother (full name) DAVID ECTON
Johnson, have to this Renunciation set my hand this 10th
day of SEPTEMBER in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and 83

Fr.-Bro. (full name) David Ecton Johnson O. F. M.

Signed by the above-named Frater-Brother DAVID ECTON Johnson

_____ in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed
our names at his request, as witnesses thereto in the presence of the above-signed Frater-Brother
DAVID ECTON Johnson and of each other, this 10th

day of SEPTEMBER, 1983, at St. Elizabeth's Friary, Oakland

William Bradley, OFM Witness
Address Scottsdale, AZ

Paul Schmidt, OFM Witness
Address P1000, UT

RENUNCIATION AND DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY
Before Solemn Profession

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

RENUNCIATION OF PROPERTY

I, Friar (name: religious and family) DAVID ECTON JOHNSON, O.F.M.

formerly known as (name: baptismal and family) DAVID ECTON JOHNSON
the undersigned, a member of the Order of Friars Minor of the Province of Saint Barbara, pursuant to Canon 581 of the Code of Canon Law and Article 80, 1, of the General Constitutions of the Order of Friars Minor, do hereby, in view of and in dependence on my Solemn Profession, freely renounce and abdicate ownership of all property which I now actually possess, and also of whatever property may come to me after my Solemn Profession by paternal and/or maternal inheritance, and I hereby freely dispose of the aforesaid property in the following manner.

DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY

First: All the property which I now actually possess I hereby freely dispose of by giving it to:

ORVAL ECTON JOHNSON (FATHER)

Second: I also freely dispose of whatever property may come to me after my Solemn Profession by paternal or maternal inheritance, and I hereby direct that such property shall be given to:

a) MATTHEW PEQUIGNOT (my nephew)

and, in the event of his/her/their previous demise, to: ROBERTO PASLO WALZ

b)

and, in the event of his/her/their previous demise, to: STEVEN ROBERTS

IN CONFIRMATION of the above, I, Friar DAVID ECTON JOHNSON, O.F.M.,
have set my hand to this Renunciation and Disposition this 10th day of SEPTEMBER, in the year of Our Lord
Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

(Signed)

David Ecton Johnson O.F.M.

Signed by the above-named Friar DAVID ECTON JOHNSON, O.F.M.,
in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names at his request, as witnesses thereto in the presence of the above-signed
Friar and of each other, this 10th day of SEPTEMBER, 19 83, at ST. ELIZABETH'S
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA (City - State)

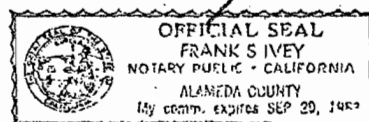
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Notary Public

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In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

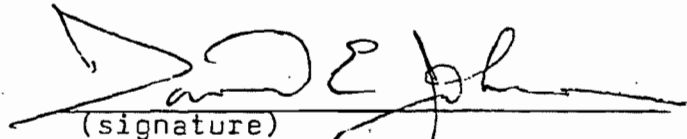
I, David E. Johnson, solemnly professed member of the Order of Friars Minor, Having presented to my superiors my petition to be received into the Order of deacons, do hereby wish to comply with the regulations set down in the Apostolic Letter "Ad Pascendum" of Pope Paul VI issued motu proprio on 15 August 1972.

I understand the description of the principal characteristics of the order of deacon as set down in the Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, namely:

"on a lower level of the hierarchy stand the deacons; they receive the imposition of hands, 'not for the priesthood but for ministry.' Fortified by sacramental grace, in communion with the bishop and his presbyterium, they lend assistance to the People of God in the service of the liturgy, of the word and of charity."

I realize the meaning of the special consecration of celibacy observed for the sake of the kingdom of heaven and its obligation for candidates to the priesthood; that this is linked to the diaconate and that such a commitment constitutes a diriment impediment to marriage.

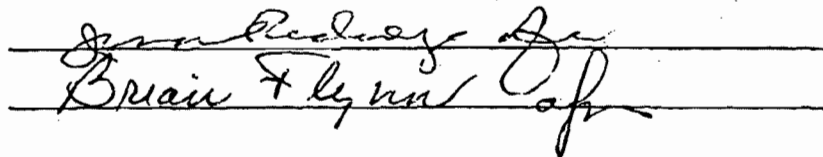
Therefore, I hereby publicly commit myself to holy celibacy before God and the Church.


(signature)

6-16-84
(date)

Given in my presence: _____

Witnesses:



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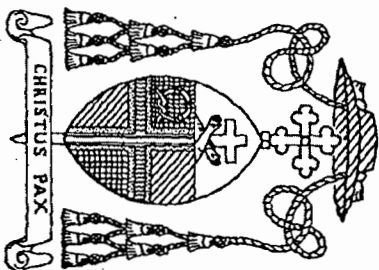
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in civitate Oakland, California,
die decima tertia, mensis Decembris, anno 1984,
sub meo chirographo Provinciaeque sigillo.

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By these presents, I, Most Reverend James P. Dyke, O.F.M.
do declare and testify that in accordance
with the rite of the Roman Catholic Church, I ordained

David E. Johnson, O.F.M.
in the Order of Priesthood
in the Church of Saint Christopher, Las Vegas, Nevada,
on the twenty-ninth day of December, 1984.

In witness whereof, I issued this letter of certification,
and sealed with the seal of the Diocese of Cleveland.

Given at Cleveland, Ohio, this Twenty-ninth day of December, 1984.

James P. Dyke, O.F.M.
Bishop

James P. Dyke, O.F.M.
Auxiliary Bishop of Cleveland

FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

March 18, 1985

David Johnson, O.F.M.
1420 West Bartlett Avenue
Las Vegas, NV. 89106

Dear David:

It was good seeing you at the recent Jubilee. I'm sure Brian must have felt very affirmed by the fine response he got from the people there. It was a great turn-out. I'm sure there were many more people than came to my farewell, but I am glad that it was such a good occasion for him and I enjoyed it very much. I was sorry to have to run out so quickly.

At the recent board meeting we did decide to go ahead with your assignment to Seattle. I hope it is a good one for you. You can talk to Mike to work out the details but I know he is very anxious to have you come and will look forward to working with you.

I pray you have a not too hectic Holy week and a Joyous Easter Season.

With fraternal regards,

[REDACTED]

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1500 thirty-fourth Avenue
Oakland, CA 94601

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OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

ARCHDIOCESE OF SEATTLE

910 MARION STREET
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98104
(206) 362-4884

May 9, 1985

The Rev. David Johnson, O.F.M.
St. George Parish
5306 13th Ave. S
Seattle, WA 98108

Dear Father Johnson:

Welcome to the Archdiocese of Seattle and to St. George Parish! Enclosed is your document of appointment granting you the faculties of the archdiocese.

If we do not have the opportunity before, I will look forward to meeting you during the Clergy Institute in June.

With all best wishes, I am

Fraternally in Christ,

Raymond G. Hunthausen
Archbishop of Seattle

enclosure

cc: [REDACTED]

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

April 30, 1985

Most Rev. Raymond G. Hunthausen, D.D.
Archbishop of Seattle
Chancery Office
907 Terry Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Dear Archbishop Hunthausen:

I hope that you are feeling better these days. We were all very concerned when we heard about your recent illness and we have been praying for you around the Province. I was recently in Seattle just over night and I hoped to make some contact to give you our good wishes but due to the shortness of time was not able to. So, I certainly want to assure you that you are in our prayers and our hope for your speedy recovery and full return to the most important leadership that you give both in the diocese and in the American Church.

I must also write with a note of apology; it suddenly dawned on me that I had not written to you about the assignment of David Johnson, O.F.M. to St. George. We have been looking for a long time for someone to go up there and I just forgot that I did not communicate with you and he is already on the scene so I hope it meets your approval for him to be an associate there with Fr. Mike Dallmeier, O.F.M. If this does we would appreciate you granting the faculties. I do not know whether they have locally made such a request but I would appreciate it as, as I say, he is already on board as of the beginning of this week.

David is newly ordained and I think will make a real contribution there at St. George. One of his special interests is working with people of various ethnic groups. His college degree was in black studies and I think that he will in a special way, apply himself there at St. George.

Again, our very best wishes for your health and for the good of the Diocese.

With warm regards,

[Redacted Signature]

1500 thirty-fourth Avenue
Oakland CA 94601

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DIOCESE OF OAKLAND

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June 28, 1985

[REDACTED]
St. Elizabeth's Church
1500 - 34th Avenue
Oakland, CA 94601

Dear [REDACTED]

Some months back we received copies of the certificates of Ordination for Ben R. Innes and David E. Johnson. We have tried to get information as to where their permanent files are kept, but have not been able to receive an answer. They certainly are not here with the Diocese.

Would you please be kind enough to see that these are sent to the proper authorities and placed in their files.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. I am sorry for the long delay.

Sincerely yours,

Reverend Fred A. Riccio
Director of Vocations

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in civitate Oakland _____, California _____,
die decima tertia _____, mensis Decembris _____, anno 1984 _____,
sub meo chirographo Provinciaeque sigillo.

O.F.M. JOHN 1

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THE ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD
FRIAR DAVID E. JOHNSON, O.F.M.
FRIAR BEN R. INNES, O.F.M.
THE CHURCH OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER
NORTH LAS VEGAS, NEVADA
1:00 P.M.
DECEMBER 29, 1984

ISAIAH 61: 1-3
1 PETER 4: 7-11
JOHN 15: 9-17

THE MOST REVEREND JAMES P. LYKE, O.F.M., PH.D.

MY SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN CHRIST:

BEFORE I ADDRESS FRIAR DAVID AND FRIAR BEN, MAY I
ACKNOWLEDGE THE HISTORIC NATURE OF THIS PARTICULAR ORDINA-
TION TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

FIRST OF ALL, WE WELCOME WITH SPECIAL AFFECTION
[REDACTED] THE MINISTER GENERAL OF THE ORDER OF
FRIARS MINOR. FATHER GENERAL, KNOW THAT WE SHALL ALWAYS DOUBLE
OUR PRAYERS IN YOUR BEHALF AND OFFER YOU OUR FRATERNAL SUPPORT
AND OBEDIENCE.

SECONDLY, THE FRIARS HAVE SERVED IN THE DIOCESE
OF LAS VEGAS FOR FOURTEEN YEARS, BUT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME
THAT THE ORDINATION OF OUR FRIARS SHALL TAKE PLACE HERE IN
LAS VEGAS. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO BISHOP MCFARLAND, FATHER WATT
AND ALL THE PEOPLE OF ST. CHRISTOPHERS FOR THIS PRIVILEGE.

AND FINALLY, I CANNOT HELP BUT NOTE THE SIGNI-
FICANCE OF MY OWN PRESENCE HERE, AN AFRICAN AMERICAN FRIAR
AND BISHOP, WHO PRESIDES AT THIS RITE OF ORDINATION, WHERE
THE FRIARS RESIDE IN A COMMUNITY OF FAITH SO REFLECTIVE OF
THE SPIRITUAL RICHES OF BLACK CATHOLICS AND AMONG WHOM OUR
FRANCISCAN MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND PEACE WAS APPROPRIATELY
INITIATED BY [REDACTED] NOW THE PROVINCIAL OF THE SANTA
BARBARA PROVINCE. FATHER PROVINCIAL, WE GREET YOU WITH LOVE
AND DEVOTION.

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DEAR PEOPLE OF THIS CONGREGATION, AT THE OUTSET, IN THE NAME OF THE CHURCH AND OF THE FRANCISCAN PROVINCE OF SANTA BARBARA, LET ME EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO ALL WHO HAVE BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN FRIAR BEN AND FRIAR DAVID'S JOURNEY TO PRIESTHOOD.

MY SINCEREST APPRECIATION TO FRIAR DAVID'S PARENTS, ORVAL AND KATHRYN JOHNSON AND HIS FAMILY AND TO FRIAR BEN'S MOTHER LORRAINE ANGSTROM AND HER FAMILY. PARENTS, THESE FRIARS HAVE BEEN FORMED FROM THE STUFF OF YOUR LIVES AND THE QUALITY OF YOUR FAITH. WE ARE PROFOUNDLY GRATEFUL AND ETERNALLY INDEBTED TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES. FRIAR DAVID, I AM SURE THAT WHAT YOU WROTE OF YOUR PARENTS APPLIES TO FRIAR BEN'S PARENTS AS WELL. YOU SAID, "RELIGION WAS IMPORTANT IN MY FAMILY AND I STILL MARVEL AT PEOPLE WHOSE LIVES ARE TRANSFORMED BY THE GRACE AND GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST."

FRIAR DAVID AND FRIAR BEN, I NOW WISH TO ADDRESS YOU DIRECTLY, IN THE CONTEXT AND SPIRIT OF THE SACRED READINGS OF TODAY'S LITURGY. JESUS TELLS YOU, "IT WAS NOT YOU WHO CHOSE ME, IT WAS I WHO CHOSE YOU, TO GO FORTH AND BEAR FRUIT."

MY BROTHERS, TO BE A PRIEST IS TO BE CALLED AND CHOSEN TO STAND WITH WOMEN AND MEN AS THEIR HELPER AND GUIDE; TO PREACH THE WORD: TO CELEBRATE THE MYSTERIES, TO PONDER LIFE'S DEEPEST REALITIES, TO RAISE LIFE'S CRITICAL QUESTIONS AND TO CRITIQUE ITS ANSWERS: TO BE CALLED AND CHOSEN AS A

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PRIEST IS TO STAND WITH OUTSTRETCHED ARMS AND HEARTS, AS
ON A CROSS.

AS YOU PERSONIFY BOTH THIS CALLING AND MISSION
"TO BE GENEROUS DISTRIBUTORS OF GOD'S MANIFOLD GRACE" AND
TO "PUT YOUR GIFTS AT THE SERVICE OF ONE ANOTHER" AS THE
LORD'S ORDAINED PRIESTS, YOU ARE IN A MOST UNIQUE WAY CHAL-
LENGED TO THAT "GREATER LOVE WHICH NO ONE HAS THAN TO LAY
DOWN ONE'S LIFE FOR ONE'S FRIENDS," TO LOVE THE PEOPLE
OF GOD AS CHRIST DID HIMSELF.

FRIAR DAVID AND FRIAR BEN, AS YOU UNDERTAKE THIS
CHALLENGE OF PRIESTLY LOVE, MAY I OFFER YOU THREE PERSONAL
CONVICTIONS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

FIRST, DO NOT FEAR TO BE WHO YOU ARE UNIQUELY
CALLED TO BE AND TO DO WHAT YOU ARE UNIQUELY CALLED TO
DO. CHRIST HIMSELF DID NOT HESITATE TO PULL THE TWELVE
APART FROM THE PEOPLE - TO ADDRESS THEM IN A SPECIAL WAY,
WITH A SPECIAL WORD, AND TO GIVE THEM A SPECIAL TASK. HE
DID NOT HESITATE TO PRAY - JUST WITH THEM. YOU ARE NOW
CALLED TO BE AN INTIMATE COLLABORATOR IN THE PREACHING
OF THE GOSPEL: DO NOT PULL BACK FROM THE DEMANDS AND
CHALLENGES OF THAT INTIMACY. EVEN WHEN YOU FALTER OR FALL,
REMEMBER - YOU REMAIN THE LORD'S PRIZED AND SPECIAL ENVOY.
HE SHALL ALWAYS BE WITH YOU. (CONFER ROMANS 12:1-9)

SECONDLY, THIS IS THE AGE OF PERSONAL FULLFILL-
MENT AND INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM, OF PERSONAL GOALS AND INDIVIDUAL

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS, OF PLEASURE AND COMFORT. PARTICULARLY AS A FRANCISCAN PRIEST, YOU ARE THE SIGN OF A DIFFERENT FOCUS: THAT OTHER-DIRECTEDNESS WHICH WAS THE CHIEF CHARACTERISTIC OF THE LIFE OF CHRIST AND OF OUR HOLY FATHER, FRANCIS OF ASSISI. YOUR TREASURES, FRIAR DAVID AND FRIAR BEN, MUST BE THE POOR, THE HUNGRY, THE HOMELESS AND THE UNEMPLOYED, ORPHANS, THE ELDERLY, AND THE LONELY: OUR OFTEN- AIMLESS AND ALWAYS-SEARCHING YOUTH; THE USED AND ABUSED, THE NEGLECTED AND REJECTED, THE "LEAST" OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS. YOUR TREASURES, TOO, MUST BE THE HURTING PEOPLE AND PEOPLE LONGING FOR HEALING - THOSE WHO HAVE NOT HEARD THE GOSPEL, THE UNCHURCHED, ALIENATED CATHOLICS, SINGLE PARENTS, OUR DIVORCED AND SEPARATED BROTHERS AND SISTERS. ALL THIS REFLECTS THE WORDS OF ISAIAH THE PROPHET, WORDS SUBSEQUENTLY EMPLOYED BY JESUS HIMSELF TO DESCRIBE AN ESSENTIAL ASPECT OF HIS MINISTRY AND, THEREFORE, THAT OF THE CHURCH AND OF YOURS: "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD GOD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE THE LORD HAS ANOINTED ME" AND SENT ME TO THE LOWLY, THE PRISONERS, THE BROKENHEARTED.

THIRDLY, REMEMBER THAT YOUR MINISTRY TAKES PLACE "IN THE WORLD" - IN ALL OF THE UNREDEEMED SPHERES OF HUMAN EXISTENCE. FRIAR BEN, THIS IS WHAT I THINK YOU MEANT WHEN YOU WROTE, "I READILY ACCEPT THE SACRAMENTAL ROLE OF THE PRIEST, BUT SEE THE NEED TO BE MORE THAN A DISPENSER OF SACRAMENTS." IT IS TO THE WORLD THAT THE MESSAGE OF SAL-

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VATION MUST BE GIVEN: IT IS WITH THE WORLD THAT THE POWER AND FOLLY OF THE CROSS AS WELL AS THE RADIANT HOPE OF THE RESURRECTION MUST BE SHARED. I STATE THIS TO ASSERT THAT THERE IS NOTHING "OTHERWORLDLY" ABOUT YOUR MINISTRY OR ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN LIFE. IN HIS SOLEMN PRAYER, JESUS AFFIRMED, "THEY DO NOT BELONG TO THE WORLD. . . THEY ARE NOT OF THE WORLD. . . , IN ORDER TO INSTRUCT US THAT THE SIGNS OF DEATH - PRIDE, ENVY, ANGER, GREED, LUST, INTemperANCE, INJUSTICE, VIOLENCE, AND SO ON - ARE INCONSONANT WITH THE CHRISTIAN WAY. BUT WITH EQUAL VIGOR, JESUS BEGS THE FATHER, "I DO NOT ASK YOU TO TAKE THEM OUT OF THE WORLD. . . AS YOU HAVE SENT ME INTO THE WORLD, SO I HAVE SENT THEM INTO THE WORLD." (CONFER, JOHN 17:1-19)

MY BROTHERS, DO NOT SHRINK FROM THE WORLD, DO NOT WITHDRAW FROM ITS PAINS AND GROANS. THIS UNREDEEMED, CONFLICT-RIDDEN WORLD OF LOVELESS LIVES, EMPTY HEARTS, INQUIRING MINDS, BROKEN FAMILIES, ESTRANGED MINORITIES, AND INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS AND VIOLENCE - DO NOT RUN FROM THIS WORLD INTO AN "OTHER WORLD." THE "OTHER WORLD" DOES NOT NEED THE GOSPEL; THIS WORLD DOES.

IT IS OUT OF THE EXPERIENCE OF THIS WORLD THAT THE FUNDAMENTAL LIFE QUESTIONS ARE ASKED: WHO IS THE HUMAN PERSON? WHAT IS THE MEANING AND PURPOSE OF OUR LIVES? WHAT IS GOODNESS AND WHAT IS SIN? WHERE LIES THE PATH

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TO TRUE HAPPINESS? WHAT IS THE TRUTH ABOUT DEATH, JUDGEMENT,
AND RETRIBUTION BEYOND THE GRAVE? WHAT, FINALLY, IS THAT
ULTIMATE AND UNUTTERABLE MYSTERY WHICH ENGULFS OUR BEINGS?¹

MY BROTHERS, THIS IS THE WORLD AND THE LIFE
EXPERIENCE THAT NEEDS THE GOSPEL. THE GOSPEL CAN DISPEL
OUR DOUBTS, FEARS, AND ANXIETIES. THE GOSPEL CAN TRANSFORM
OUR WAYS AND REMAKE AND REVIVE OUR CONSCIENCES. THE GOSPEL
CAN BRING MEANING AND JOY TO OUR EMPTY LIVES. THE GOSPEL
CAN BRING PEACE AND HOPE TO A MATERIALISTIC, CRISIS-FILLED
WORLD.

I REPEAT - YOUR MINISTRY TAKES PLACE "IN THE WORLD."
DO NOT SHRINK FROM THIS WORLD, ITS ANXIETIES AND ITS HOPES.

MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF THE SACRED ASSEMBLY,
EVERY EUCHARIST REPRESENTS THE CLARITY OF JESUS' IDENTITY
AND THE BOLDNESS OF HIS IN-BREAKING INTO THE WORLD, FOR
IN THESE HUMBLE SIGNS OF BREAD AND WINE THE MYSTERY OF
DIVINE INTERVENTION IN AN UNREDEEMED WORLD IS RE-ENACTED.
MAY EACH OF US HERE BE NOURISHED BY THIS EUCHARISTIC FOOD,
THAT OUR SHARE IN THE PRIESTLY AND PROPHETIC SERVICE OF
CHRIST MAY LEAD THE WORLD TO THAT SALVATION FOR WHICH IT
SO DEEPLY LONGS. ALL OF US YEARN FOR A UNIVERSE IN WHICH
THE FULLNESS OF CHRIST'S ORDER AND REDEMPTION IS EXPERIENCE.

¹ CONFER "DECLARATION ON THE RELATION OF THE CHURCH TO NON-
CHRISTIAN RELIGIONS" OF THE II VATICAN COUNCIL.

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IN THE WORDS OF THE POET, LANGSTON HUGHES - AND, MY BROTHERS
DAVID AND BEN, WE DEPEND UPON YOU ---

I DREAM A WORLD WHERE MAN
NO OTHER WILL SCORN,
WHERE LOVE WILL BLESS THE EARTH
AND PEACE ITS PATHS ADORN.
I DREAM A WORLD WHERE ALL
WILL KNOW SWEET FREEDOM'S WAY,
WHERE GREED NO LONGER SAPS THE SOUL
NOR AVARICE BLIGHTS OUR DAY,
A WORLD I DREAM WHERE BLACK OR WHITE,
WHATEVER RACE YOU BE,
WILL SHARE THE BOUNTIES OF THE EARTH
AND EVERY MAN IS FREE,
WHERE WRETCHEDNESS WILL HANG ITS HEAD,
AND JOY, LIKE A PEARL,
ATTEND THE NEEDS OF ALL MANKIND.
OF SUCH I DREAM -
OUR WORLD.



ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

THE CHANCERY OFFICE
2838 EAST BURNSIDE, P. O. BOX 351
PORTLAND, OREGON 97207

September 9, 1985

Rev. David Johnson, O.F.M.
St. Anthony Parish
9905 S.W. McKenzie
Tigard, Oregon 97223

Dear Father Johnson:

Your Provincial has requested that you be appointed parochial vicar (Cann. 545-552) of St. Anthony Parish in Tigard, Oregon. I am pleased to approve the appointment, which was effective September 8, 1985.

You will find enclosed the faculties of the Archdiocese for pastors and parochial vicars.

By reason of your appointment, you will possess all of the faculties required by this office, and you will be expected to assume the duties and the responsibilities, as well as enjoy the rights and privileges accorded parochial vicars, as outlined in the prescriptions of the Code of Canon Law, the Archdiocesan statutes, official Chancery letters and approved custom.

We enclose also at this time a form which we ask you to fill out and return to us. This personal record form will give us the information we need to complete our files.

Welcoming you into the Archdiocese, and praying upon you every blessing and an abundance of God's grace for success in your new assignment, I am

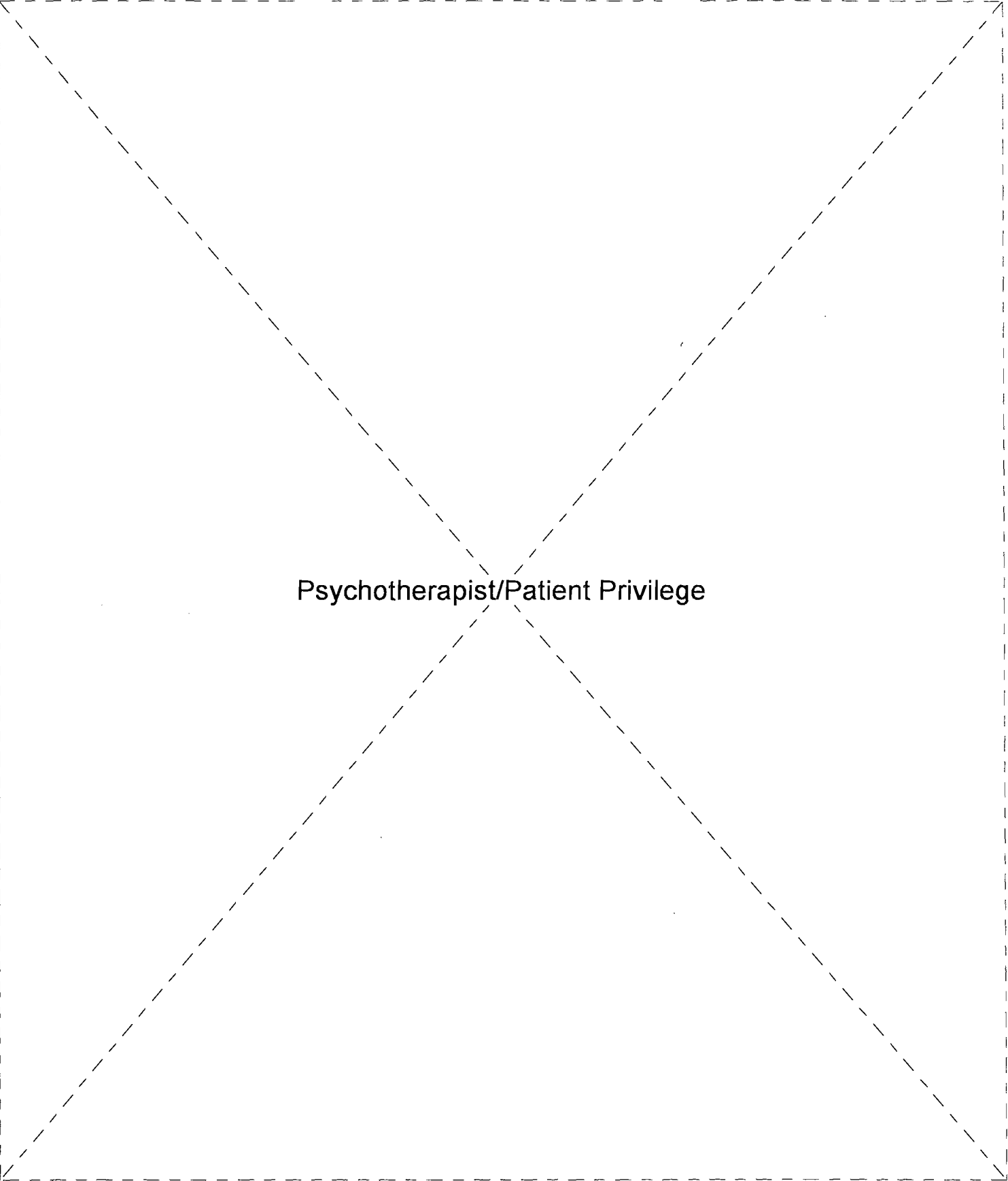
Fraternally yours in Christ,

+Cornelius M. Power
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

CMP:gg

Enclosures

cc: [REDACTED]
Rev. Michael Dallmeier, O.F.M.



Psychotherapist/Patient Privilege

OFM JOHN 1
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December 26, 1987

Father Neal Saller, TOR
Servants of the Paraclete
Jemez Springs, NM 87025

Dear Neal:

I received the report on David for the month of November, thank you very much. As you say, it does seem he is making progress. Though in reading through the report, I noticed that there are some break-throughs, but lots of problematic areas seem to have emerged or continue to emerge. So it still looks like there is a long way to go.

A couple of questions; one is that I talked to him on the phone about the possibility of more intensive therapy, perhaps a second therapist, someone like Jay or Bob Goodkind, I think it was that we discussed. I noticed in one point, Sarah comments that he did not have any confidence in her. I would hope that we would come to the end, and find that he did not have confidence in who he had been working with and therefore, or that the therapy had not really taken. I am not sure just where that is right now, although as I do think he does have some confidence in her anyway. Nevertheless, my question is still whether it is intense enough, given what he has to deal with.

I am just wondering what the prognosis is in terms of how much longer you would expect him to be there? If there is any indications of what you see for the future? Of course, I am sure everyone wants to know those things, but I like to be a little forewarned. Also whether you are desirous of some kind of visit there after the first of the year. I know that David is thinking of something like February and that will come up very fast after the break, and so I would at least be prepared.

I do see that David decided to resign from the parish in Seattle. I appreciate your advice to him, both you and the staff, and I think it was helpful for him in working through it. I do feel good that he has arrived at this on his own, even if it was by using some quite negative factors. I do think that it is better that he move on, and now it will be up to us to look for the right kind of assignment. These are not easy. The recommendations are always a good community, supportive good in numbers, a place where one can be very open and receive and give affection easily and all of that. And I don't know of that we have even one that really meets the bill, but we will do the best that we can.

Again Neal, thanks for your help and for the good report that was sent. We will look forward to the next ones.

cordially,

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OFM JOHN 1
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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BAKBARA

David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony Retreat
Box 249
Three Rivers, Ca. 93271

November 4, 1988

COPY

Dear Dave:

Peace and all good!

This is just a short note to say that I received one of your reports from Jemez Springs, and I'm very glad to see that the results have been very fine at this time. I know that it has been difficult for you to adjust to the new apostolate, but I was gratified to see that you find the community supportive and the work somewhat challenging. I really do believe that you will be a tremendous teacher and preacher in the future, and I want to encourage you to go in that direction. Sometimes it's difficult to see one's own gifts, and I hope you can learn to appreciate the way in which you can present the Word of God. If there are any programs which you feel you would need to attend for continuing education opportunities that come your way, please do not hesitate to apply for them, as I think this is a good investment for the future. I know that you are spending the time just getting settled right now, but I just want to encourage you.

Fraternally,

JPC/js



Province of St. Barbara

FRANCISCAN FRIARS

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COPY

July 21, 1994

David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
Box 249
Three Rivers CA 93271

Dear Dave,

This is to officially inform you that you have been appointed to the St. Anthony Retreat Board.

Thank you so very much for all the work that you do for the Province. I was up there earlier this week but you were on vacation in Alaska. I hope you had a good time.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]
Provincial Vicar

[REDACTED]

OFM JOHN 1
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December 15, 1994

David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
P O Box 249
Three Rivers CA 93271

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Dear David,

Peace and all good! Merry Christmas!

On behalf of the provincial definitorium I would like to ask you if you would be willing to serve on the Province Finance Council as one of the friar members. Perhaps before accepting the assignment you might like to contact the Treasurer, Lupe Aceves, or the Associate Treasurer, John Hardin, to see what the demands are.

The definitorium would appreciate it very much if you can accept this appointment. It is an extremely important service to the friars and we believe that your opinion will be very valuable and well respected. Thanks very much for your consideration.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]
Provincial Minister

[REDACTED]
copy: Lupe Aceves

OFM JOHN 1
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July 19, 1995

David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
P O Box 249
Three Rivers CA 93271

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Dear David,

Peace and all good.

With this letter I would like to say that the definitorium has received your request to travel to Australia and New Zealand. Obviously there were some issues that we needed to discuss amongst ourselves and I would like to discuss these with you before we make any final decisions as to your travel time. Some of the questions which came up were these: Would this be classified as a Sabbatical since it is over the usual amount of time for vacation? Is it appropriate for you, given the Aftercare status of your Program, to move in this direction? How does this fit into your own progress in Aftercare and what are your reflections in this area?

If I could speak with you about some of these issues I think it would be helpful to us in moving this toward resolution. The definitorium generally, I think, is very open to this request. But they would like for me to pursue some specific details.

God bless you, David. Please be assured always of my continuous prayers and support.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]
Provincial Minister

OFM JOHN 1
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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

TRAVEL FORM

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To help the Provincial and the Definitorium with regard to travel requests, please fill out this form and return it to the Provincial Office, Attn: The Secretary of the Province.

NB The Guardian can give permission to travel within the United States (PS, 21). This form is for travel overseas.

1. Name DAVID JOHNSON
2. Destination NEW ZEALAND / AUSTRALIA
3. Dates: Departure JAN 1996 Return LATE FEB 1996 OR SO
4. Purpose of Travel:

<input type="checkbox"/> Jubilee Trip <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Education <input type="checkbox"/> Central American Pilgrimage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vacation outside the US <input type="checkbox"/> Assisi Experience	<input type="checkbox"/> Visit to Family <input type="checkbox"/> Lead a pilgrimage <input type="checkbox"/> Member of a pilgrimage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>TIME OUT.</u>
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5. Estimated Cost: \$ 3,000
6. Source(s) of funding: FAMILY, REGULAR VACATION ALLOWANCE, SAVING OVER LAST 3 YR
7. Travel History:
 - a. When was the last time you travelled outside the US? NEVER AS A FRIAR
 Where did you go? 1960 went to Germany w/ my family
 For what purpose? _____
 - b. Have you previously been to the place where you are asking to go?
NO
 - c. What has been your international travel in the last 20 years?
 List dates and places:
NONE

(Rev. 2/89)

1500 thirty-fourth Avenue
Oakland CA 94601

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Provincial Minister (415) 536-3722
Provincial Office (415) 536-1266



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February 29, 1996

Bro. David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
P. O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

Dear David,

Peace and all good.

Before I leave for Europe tomorrow morning, I wanted to write a brief reply to your beautiful letter written to me on February 19th. I was overjoyed to receive it and I'm glad that you're making this type of request. I will be more than happy to do all that I can to facilitate the process which will enable a good, quality move for yourself. The suggestions that you make, in terms of the mission particularly since I know you've always been interested in the missions in Africa, are very intriguing.

You are well aware, as I am, of some of the processes that need to be developed for us to successfully complete this reassignment. I do think they're very manageable and I look forward to talking with you extensively when I come back from Europe. I do return on March 12th, at which time I'm present at the Southwest Regional. I would be more than happy, and I think it would be good, if I could see you before the Definitorium meeting which begins March 24th. I will be at the Southern California Regional March 19-21 if you would want to meet there. Or perhaps when I get back, we could make an appointment if you wanted to come up to the Bay area.

At any rate, I do want to encourage you. I am very grateful and also in admiration of your perseverance and courage and open-heartedness. God bless you David and please be assured of my prayers and support.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]
Provincial Minister

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OFM JOHN 1
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David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony Retreat
Box 249
Three Rivers, Ca. 93271

September 21, 1988

Dear David:


Peace and all good!

I was happy to see you down at Three Rivers last Sunday. I am glad that everything is going well, and I know that you will find the community there supportive, and that they in turn will find your presence very enriching.

With this letter, I would like to affirm, of course, my previous points which I made in my letter to you, and also to give you an official obedience to work there at Three Rivers in retreat ministry and some parochial work. Thank you David, for your patience and understanding over this past year. I think your courage in facing some issues, your ability to work them through, and then to work constructively with myself and others in the Province only redounds to your benefit and reputation. I want to congratulate you on that, and assure you always of my prayers and support.

If there is anything I can do, please do not hesitate to ask. In turn, may I ask for your prayers and support?

Fraternally,



OFM JOHN 1

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

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To David Johnson, OFM

From _____

Provincial Minister

After prayer and consultation, and considering the many needs of the people to whom we minister, I am formally requesting that you accept a transfer from the fraternity at St. Elizabeth's Friary,

Oakland, CA to join the fraternity at St. Anthony's Retreat, Three Rivers, CA

there to work with the local minister and fraternity in the following assignment(s) retreat work, some parish work

For the convenience of all concerned, I ask that you make this transfer by September, 1988 (date).

As a sign of your acceptance, please sign below and return to the Provincial Office.

N.B. Sign and mail back immediately upon reaching your new assignment.

Fraternally,

(date) Sept 13, 1988

Provincial Minister

To the Provincial Minister:

In accordance with the promises I have made to the Lord and to our Brotherhood, I accept the above transfer.

s/ _____

(date) _____



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February 29, 1996

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Faternally,

[REDACTED]
Provincial Minister

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April 2, 1996

Fr. David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
P.O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

Dear David,

Peace and all good.

This is just a short note to let you know that we discussed your letter at the last Definitorium meeting and the definitors were very responsive to your request to proceed with the IRT process and to look for a different placement. They gave me a few ideas for our meeting which were very solid and optimistic about the future. I do look forward to seeing you in the month of April. In the meantime, please have a very joyous Easter. God bless you, David. Thank you for the example.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]
Provincial Minister
[REDACTED]

OFM JOHN 1
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2-19-96

Dear Father Provincial,

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I have recently received the form that asks for our ministry plans for the future. The form made it clear that any formal requests must be made in a separate letter. This is that letter.

I am making a request that I be given another assignment. Given my situation I understand it might be a difficult and involved process. I write now so it will be started.

I have been in my current assignment for seven and one-half years. It has been a great blessing to me and I think my work has been of good quality. Still, I feel a great need for a new challenge.

At the convocation, the ceremony sending John Summers off to the mission helped me decide I too needed to do something more significant with my life. I have for years expressed a desire to return to a ministry that had significantly more contact with people who were poor. I feel that desire more strongly than ever.

I do not have a specific place in mind to which I am requesting assignment. I believe I would be willing to serve in the missions either abroad or here at home with the Native Americans, if those are possibilities.

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Oh you might have some ideas that we could explore together.

I hope you do not consider this request a terrible burden. I feel I am at a kind of crossroads in my life. Unless I act, I'm afraid a very good part of me might be forever lost. I don't want to grow old wondering "what if".

I look forward to hearing from you. I hope you are well.

Sincerely,

David John — am



Province of St. Barbara

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November 20, 1996

David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
P.O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

Dear David,

Peace and all good.

Enclosed, please find a news letter that I received on OFM Africa. I hope you enjoy it. This is to wet your appetite. Although we have not discussed this recently, I wonder where you are with all of this. Perhaps we can sit down and talk about it sometime. God bless you, David.

Thanks so much for coming to the Southern California workshop. Your remarks were very well taken and exceptionally well received.

Faternally,

[REDACTED]
Provincial Minister

Enclosure
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OFM JOHN 1
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May 5, 1997

David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
P.O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

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Dear David,

May the Lord give you peace.

This is to inform you that, at it's most recent meeting, the Definitorium has appointed you as Guardian of the community at St. Anthony's Retreat.

Thank you so much for the good things you do for the house. Be assured of our prayers for you and your community.

Fraternally,

Steve Barnufsky, ofm
Stephen Barnufsky, OFM
Provincial Vicar

SB/mr



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January 29, 1997

Fr. David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
P.O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

Dear David,

It was very good to see you at Malibu and also at the Vitale funeral.

I am responding to the note you wrote me at Chapter regarding your desire to go to the African project and see what it is before you make a full commitment. I would suggest that you write me a simple proposal to do this and I will submit it to the Definitorium in March so it can be discussed. We will get back to you very shortly after the meeting and you will then have between March and June to make the visit and to evaluate the various projects before making a full commitment. In the meantime, I will also speak with Joe to find out what he told you regarding the IRT process and I will have more information to discuss with you. I hope this meets your approval. If not, please give me a call.

Thanks for all you do for the Province.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Provincial Minister
[REDACTED]

OFM JOHN 1
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CHAPTER 1997

SAN LUIS REY, CALIFORNIA

As I talked with people about my interest in going to Africa, several mentioned it would be a good idea to go look and see before I made any commitment.

I would like permission to go see what the various projects are like before making a full commitment.

When I initially asked to go, I was told I must go through the IRT process first. I would like to be able to visit Africa before I do the IRT process. Hopefully my enthusiasm for a new ministry might help me get energy for going through the IRT process.

Thanks for your consideration

Unless the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build.

Probably done between now + June.

LOCAL AND PROVINCE INFORMATION

NAME (type or print) David Johnson
 SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 526-98-4117 DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER N6252565
 DOCTOR'S NAME _____ TELEPHONE 1-415-82-7542

Address of person to be notified in case of accident, illness or death:

NAME Deval Johnson RELATIONSHIP Father
 STREET 7702 N. 16th Lane CITY Phx STATE AZ ZIP 85021
 TELEPHONE 1-602-244-3704 (Use other side for additional persons if you wish.)
995-7086

N.B. This card is to be filled out and kept on hand in the local friary. The copy in the Provincial Office should be updated when needed.

DATE FILLED OUT 3-31-82



OFM JOHN 1
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MISSION SAN MIGUEL — FOUNDED 1797

Franciscan Friars

Old Mission

P.O. Box 69

San Miguel, CA. 93451-0069

(805) 467-3256 • Fax (805) 467-2448

Dec.20, 2000

Dear [REDACTED]

Just a short note to accompany these two documents: COPIES of David Johnson's request for secularization and his curriculum vitae. These are in accord with the instructions given on p.71 of the "Manual of Procedures for Provincial Secretaries."

As you know, you are to give any further information that seems good to you, and also your VOTUM.

Then you can send this to me and I will send it on to Rome.

If you should wish to send the documents directly to Rome yourself, just let me know and I will send you the originals.

A happy and holy Christmas, and thanks for all you do for us.

Tu hermano,

[REDACTED]

OFM JOHN 1

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DAVID E. JOHNSON, O.F.M.

Fr. David Johnson is asking to be dispensed from his solemn vows.

He was born in Fort Knox, Kentucky, U.S.A., on March 5, 1951.

He made first profession in the Order of Friars Minor, Province of St. Barbara, on January 8, 1977, in Santa Barbara, California, and solemn profession on September 10, 1983 in Oakland, California.

He was ordained to the priesthood on December 29, 1984 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

His curriculum vitae in ministry:

1977-1980 teacher at St. Anthony's Seminary, Santa Barbara, California (math, science, ethnic studies)

1980-1982 student at Franciscan School of Theology, Berkeley, California

1982-1983 teacher at St. Anthony's Seminary, Santa Barbara

1983-1984 student at Franciscan School of Theology, Berkeley, California

1984-1985 pastoral ministry, St. James Parish, Las Vegas, Nevada

1985-1988 pastoral ministry, St. George Parish, Seattle, Washington

1988-2000 pastoral ministry, St. Anthony Retreat, Three Rivers, California

2000- parish work at Old Mission San Luis Rey Parish, Oceanside, California

(San Miguel, California, 18 December 2000)

OFM JOHN 1

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TO HIS HOLINESS, POPE JOHN PAUL II

Your Holiness,

I am Fr. David E. Johnson, a priest belonging to the Order of Friars Minor, Province of St. Barbara (California, U.S.A.). I was ordained to the priesthood in 1984 and have worked chiefly in parochial ministry since then. This is a ministry which I have enjoyed very much and one which I believe I have accomplished well. I would not voluntarily wish to be excluded from this ministry.

However, because of some personal difficulties, my ministry in recent years has been more and more restricted by my religious superiors. I believe that they feel they have no other choice under the circumstances; however, this does not allow me the freedom to continue in the priestly ministry as I have done in the past, nor does it permit me to find circumstances where I might function as a priest in the future – something I earnestly desire..

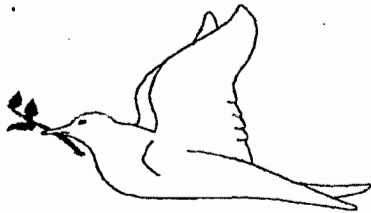
Because of these circumstances, having pondered this decision for a long time and having been told by my religious superiors that my situation will never improve, I am asking to be dispensed from my solemn vows as a member of the Order of Friars Minor for the peace of my soul, that I may better contribute to the work of the Church. I understand that I cannot exercise the priestly ministry until I am accepted by a benevolent bishop.

I ask your blessing and sign this letter,

Respectfully in Christ,

Fr. David Johnson OFM
Fr. David Johnson, O.F.M.

San Miguel, California, U.S.A.
19 December 2000



[REDACTED]
San Damiano Retreat Center
P.O. Box 767
Danville, Ca. 94526
Phone Fax 925-831-2916

February 24, 1999

Dear David,

I need to make a few points and explanations.

I talked with Israel right after our phone conversation. Israel simply has not made a decision about Dr. King. No full report of your treatment nor any conclusions of this has ever been received by Israel. So, what work you may have done in writing out things from your history, etc. is not known, nor what insights you gained, nor what realizations you came to about your offenses, nor what concerns and empathy you may have arrived at concerning your victims, nor what you understand that you need to do to take care of yourself and avoid further offenses are all unknown.

The meeting that I planned with you and Marion is not adversarial in nature, although it may feel that way to you. The purpose of the meeting with both of you present is to talk about the role of the monitor and how this is to be carried out in your case. The role of Monitor and of myself, as Monitor of the Monitors, is conceived to be a supportive one. The general role is to add support from the friar community to the work you do with the therapist. To carry out this role the Monitor needs to know something about what are risky situations for you and to inquire how you are observing your prevention plan, how you are taking care of yourself to keep safe; how things are going for you with the friar community; how your prayer life is helping to support your prevention plan, how your work may help or endanger your prevention plan and similar things, or how anything in your life that week might be moving you toward a risk situation. He is to be an external observer to help assure you carry out your prevention plan, to both encourage and support your observance and to raise concerns if you seem to be going beyond boundaries. The monitor must additionally represent the interests of the province that you do not re-offend.

He also, in some fashion, is to help assure the province that you are keeping safe from further risky situations. The province stands to lose millions of dollars if some friar from the After Care Program gets into a risky situation, or is even perceived by another as entering into risky behavior. The Province is required by ethical and moral situations, by law and the settlement agreement of previous law suits, by our insurers, and by the Church that we be able to demonstrate that we are doing our best to assure that any friar who has

previously offended does not offend again. All the information available from studies show that the person who has offended sexually is never totally risk free, even though he may have. All the information available from studies show that the person who has offended sexually is never totally risk free, even though he may have gone many years without even thinking about it. Part of the role of the monitor is to be sufficiently aware of what for you personally may lead you into a high risk situation so that he can through the interviews and his own observation can call your attention to any risky situations you may be moving towards.

Although this process of monitoring is unpleasant and uncomfortable both for the friar in the After Care Program and for the the monitor, it is necessary to demonstrate the Province's taking seriously its responsibility to see that the Friar does not re-offend. The Friar in the After Care Program is a member of the Province and whether he will it or not does represent the Province in all that he does. While this is unpleasant for all of us, the friar's victims continue to suffer from what happened to them. The After Care Program is NOT a punishment nor an attempt to make the friar pay for what he did to the victim. Forgiveness is part of our Christian lives, but any suffering of the After Care Friar and/or the monitors must be seen in light of the ongoing suffering of the victims.

External restrictions on your movement by means of having you report your going out and your return is to enable the Province to demonstrate that we are monitoring you with the viewpoint of keeping you out of situations that may be risky. We need to be able to assure victims, the church, the province, our insurers, and society -at-large that we know where you are going, have been and the length of time gone so that we can say that we are reasonably sure that you did not or could not have offended.

Now, Israel asked me to inform you that Dr. King has not been approved by the Province as your therapist beyond the one time meeting with myself and Marion. If you wish to see Dr. King you will have to arrange for payment; the province has not approved. The Province has with serious thought and reflection and consultation developed the After Care Program and has made a commitment to work with the IRT. The province is paying considerable sums of money for the therapy of the friars. Individualized or private arrangements for therapy are not a part of the program nor of where the Province will invest its money.

To you this may seem to be taken you back to what you have already done. This reaction need to be viewed in the light of at least two considerations.

1. You never made a full termination of your therapy with Dr. King. The kinds of assessments that would accompany such a termination never took place, or at least were never reported to the IRT. In the case of persons required to attend therapy by a larger entity, such as the Province, are not free to merely informally agree to terminate therapy.

- A. The termination process with your therapist would demonstrate

that you had covered all the relevant issues in a systematic fashion, and that clear conclusions had been arrived at about your risks, your post-therapy program would have been established and given to the Province and a risk prevention plan would have been given you and shared with those administering the After Care Program. .

- B. Some tests would have been administered and their results reported to those in charge to provide documentation that the Province could act responsibly in removing any restrictions on your movement or any reporting requirements about your movement.
2. The surfacing of new, serious, and substantiated allegations that were not on the table at the time of your treatment (as happened this past Fall) brings matters back to the table.
- A. It requires the Province again to assure itself through testing and re-evaluation that you have sufficient internal controls as to not seriously be at risk of re-offending.
 - 1) Your angry reaction to attempts to meeting our requirements by which we assure ourselves of your effective internal controls raises questions about the strength and effectiveness of these internal controls which are at the heart of a After Care Friar being able to self monitor..

In the absence of any documentation about the outcome of your previous therapy, and in light of the new allegations, the Province has a moral, ethical, legal, and financial obligation to bring you under the monitoring process, to obtain some new evaluations of your internal control mechanisms, and to ask you to restrict your unsupervised activities outside of the Retreat House until such time as the assurance which we need that you can responsibly self-monitor can be obtained.

I am also asking Marion to begin some kind of monitoring process at this time, since the IRT feels that we cannot responsibly continue to put off this exercise of our responsibility as a province. (See attached letter to Marion). Basically, I am asking Marion at this time to begin to meet with you on a scheduled basis of once a week (even for a brief period). I am asking him to discuss with you:

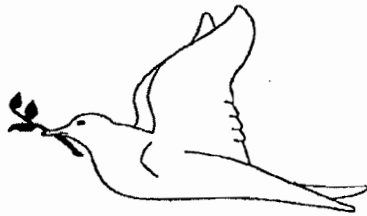
- 1. How you are doing in general?
- 2. How you are doing to take care of yourself in light of what you've learned of yourself in your previous therapy ?.
- 3. What you are doing to avoid risk of re-offending?.

4. If you have encountered any high risk situations and what you have done to avoid them or extract yourself from them?
5. How is your prayer life?
6. What may be particularly stressful situations you are encountering and how you are handling them?
7. What are you doing to socialize.?

I am also asking you to inform Marion when you are leaving the house (except for short term routine things , like going to the bank, shopping, parish duties, post office, etc.) inform him where you are going, and inform him when you return; and that until such time as a risk assessment is given by a therapist who says that there is no risk for you in long (4 hours or more) unaccompanied trips that you refrain from such bicycling trips and overnight camping trips.

Israel and I want you to be clear that there is no payment from the Province for Dr. King beyond the one visit of he, yourself, Marion, and I.
Sincerely,

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of the sender.



[REDACTED]
San Damiano Retreat Center
P.O. Box 767
Danville, Ca. 94526
Phone Fax 925-831-2916

February 24, 1999

Dear [REDACTED]

The background to the copies of the enclosed letters is this:

I had asked David Johnson if I could come down and meet with him and Marion to speak to the two together to get the monitoring going. I had been putting it off a bit, first, to hear David's response that he was going to stay there and try to co-operate and secondly just to give him some time to cool down a bit, as well as to try to figure out how monitoring should work for David. Israel felt that we should get going with it. David was most reluctant that I come and kept saying things like can you not handle it by letter or phone call. I said no that that would not really do. Finally, he said that I could come on Thursday (tomorrow).

Then, this morning David called and said that he really did not want to meet with me and Marion unless Dr. King was present. I felt that that was probably the only way that I was going to get to talk to David, so I agreed.

I was scheduled to talk to Israel by phone right after that anyway. When I brought the matter up to Israel, he did not feel that it was too good an idea. The IRT has not yet approved Dr. King as David's therapist, and may select some one else.. Israel felt that by allowing Dr. King to be there as some one on David's side, I was giving into David's adversarial view of the whole thing. I said that I did not think that I was going to get to talk to David any other way and that David was going to talk to Dr. King no matter what I did. So, he agreed to this one time meeting of David, Marion, King, and myself.

He had me remind David that since Dr. King was not approved as a therapist, that Dr. King would not be paid by the Province.

Anyway, that is the background to the two letters that I am enclosing.

Faternally, [REDACTED]

OFM JOHN 1
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NAME (Type or Print) David Johnson
(Religious) (Baptismal) (Family)

PARENTS Orval Kathryn Dickerson
(father) (mother)

BIRTH MAR. 5, 1951 Fort Knox, KY.
(date) (place) (date)

EDUCATION (date, place)

Grade School _____

High School _____

College U. Of Nevada LV UC Santa Barbara

Seminary _____ Novitiate _____

Philosophy _____ Theology _____

INVESTED Sept. 13, 1975 Sacramento, CA
(date) (place)

SIMPLE VOWS Jan 8, 1977 SOLEMN VOWS Sept. 10, 1983 Oakland, CA
(date) (place) (date) (place)

PRIESTHOOD 12/29/84 _____
(date) (place) (ordaining Prelate)

SPECIAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS e.g. Post-Graduate Degree work, published works, buildings, etc.

APPOINTMENTS (dates, positions held, places)

1977 St. Anthony Seminary prof _____

1980 Hearst St. - studies at FST _____

1981 summer, leave of absence _____

(Acquaintance)

(Baptismal)

(Family)

(continued)

1981 Casa Maria, Oakland, studies at FST

1982 St. Anthony Seminary, prof

1983 FST studies

1984 St. James, Las Vegas, pastoral ministry

1985 summer, St. George, Seattle, assoc; October, pastor

1987 sabbatical

1988 Sept St. Anthony Retreat, Three Rivers, CA EM

1997 March " " ; Guardian

1999 January " " Director

1999 August Old Mission San Luis Rey; sabbatical

2001 January - applying for dispensation from vows
Dispensation granted - March 2001OFM JOHN I
0093

Sample of a few pictures
in file of same Liturgy



OFM JOHN 1
0094



CONGREGAZIONE
PER GLI ISTITUTI DI VITA CONSACRATA
E LE SOCIETÀ DI VITA APOSTOLICA

Prot. n. 36049/2001

BEATISSIME PATER,

Sacerdos David E. Johnson, professus votorum perpetuorum in Ordine Fratrum Minorum, a Sanctitate Tua impiorat indulgendum discedendi ab Instituto, ob rationes expositas.

Congregatio pro Institutis Vitae Consecratae et Societatibus Vitae Apostolicae, attentis expositis, annuit pro gratia iuxta preces, ita ut orator, deposita exteriori forma habitus religiosi, separatus maneat a suo Instituto, a quo, ad normam can. 702, § 1, nihil repetere potest ob quamlibet operam in eo praestitam. Insuper servetur praescriptum can. 702, § 2, circa aequitatem et evangelicam caritatem quae servari debent in casu. Orator sacros ordines exercere nequit, donec Episcopum inveniat qui eum in dioecesi, ad normam can. 693, recipiat vel saltem exercitium sacrorum ordinum permittat.

Praesens rescriptum, nisi ab oratore fuerit reiectum in actu notificationis, ipso iure secumfert dispensationem a votis necnon ab omnibus obligationibus ex Professione ortis.

Contrariis quibuslibet non obstantibus.

E Civitate Vaticana, die 19 februarii 2001.

P. A. Di' Odo ando c'
Off. mag.

Dear Father Provincial,

12-9-00

Old Mission

I hope this letter finds you well. I am sorry I cause you problems and pain.

I feel I no longer deserve to be a friar. I have always tried to do my best, especially these last thirteen years. Since my previous misconduct in 1983, I felt I had honorably lived up to all the vows I made and the conditions placed upon me by the province. It was an integrity that sustained me. My sexual conduct with a man this summer mined that record. In my heart I cannot continue. The province gave me a chance and I blew it. I feel defeated.

I understand and believe the province has every right and even the responsibility to deal with my past in the way it has. But I also know it is taking a terrible toll on me personally. I find myself less and less able to live with the energy and integrity I value, I do not wish to hurt anyone else. I must choose life.

I formally request that I be dispensed from my vows to the Franciscan order.

Again, I am sorry for all the pain I have caused you and others.

as always,

David John

THE FRANCISCANS
4050 Mission Avenue
San Luis Rey, California 92058
619 / 757-3651



Rough Translation

MOST HOLY FATHER

The priest, David Johnson, a solemnly professed member of the Order of Friars Minor, has implored Your Holiness for an indult separating him from the religious institute for the reasons given.

The Congregation for the Institutes of the Consecrated Life and the Societies of the Apostolic Life, attentive to that which was set before it, agrees to the request, that the petitioner leaving aside the religious habit, remains separated from his institute, by which, according to the norms of Canon 702, he cannot request anything from it for any work done in it. In addition the prescript of Canon 702 must be observed that equity and evangelical charity is owed to the member who separates from it.

The petitioner will be unable to exercise the sacred orders until he finds a Bishop who will receive him into his diocese, according to the norms of Canon 693, and permit him to exercise the sacred orders.

The present rescript, unless it is rejected in the act of notification by the petitioner, confirms the dispensation from vows and all other obligations arising from profession.

FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

NOTIFICATION OF NEXT OF KIN (please print/type)

Johnson DAVID Eaton
Last Name Christian (Religious) Middle
Birthdate 3-5-51 Birthplace FT. KNOX, Kentucky
Social Security # 526-98-4117 Drivers License # N6252565 State CA.

Address of two (2) persons to notify in case of sickness/death:

- 1) MR/MRS D.E. Johnson PARENTS 602-995-7086
Name Relationship (AC) Phone
1523 W. PALMAIRE, PHX, AZ 85021
Address City/State/Zip
- 2) Judith O'Leary Sister 415-531-8205
Name Relationship (AC) Phone
6571 ASEDOT WAY, OAKLAND, CA 94611
Address City/State/Zip

Do you belong to another Province? If so, which?

NO

Please carry your Insurance ID card with you.

Your medical doctor (MD) _____

Your Dr.'s Address and Phone _____

Blood Type: O + Medical Allergies NONE

Your Insurance Carrier KAISER

Have you made a last testament? If so, you are asked to attach a copy to this form and send it to the Provincial Office.

Additional copies of this request/testament should remain with you and with the local Guardian. When you are reassigned, your new Guardian should get a copy of this testament.

- ④ MIKE WELDON OR ROB YOUNG SHOULD BE ASKED FIRST TO
PREACH AT MY FUNERAL

Do you have special requests for your funeral service/arrangements? E.g., special hymns, type of music, homilist, closed casket, a family member or friend to help with the funeral? Any other wishes you might have that will help those planning the funeral.

- ① NO LATIN HYMNS

- ② I'D LIKE A FUNERAL MASS w/ THE BODY PRESENT AT THE PLACE
WHERE I WAS LAST STATIONED - MASS AT SANTA BARBARA IS
UP TO THE LIVING

- ③ I WANT TO BE CREMATED AND ALL MY ASHES SCATTERED IN
SOME NATURAL AREA. -- ZION NAT. PARK OR THE SIERRAS

Are there any personal items you want given to your family?

ALL CAMPING AND OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT - SLEEPING BAGS, BICYCLES, BACKPACKS,
DAYPACKS, SKIS, TENTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT I WISH TO BE GIVEN TO
MY TWO NEPHEWS BEN JOHNSON AND MATTHEW BEQUIGNOT.

MY GRANDMOTHERS ROSAMY (ALACK) to my sister TRISHA LANIGAN


Do you have insurance policies, pensions, veteran's benefits, etc.? If so, please list.

NO

If you have a bank account by reason of ministry, who is the co-signer on the account?
(Any individual friar account must have at least one other friar as a co-signer.)

In the event of a Friar's death, the Guardian should secure the Friar's room. All documents and personal effects should be sent to the Franciscan Province of St. Barbara Archives. If you have a file in your room for "sensitive" materials, please provide instructions for its disposal. Family photographs and other items not needed for Provincial History, may be given by the Provincial Archivist to the next of kin who requests them.

Signature of Friar



Date

5-20-96

A copy of this document goes to the Provincial Office and a copy remains with the local Guardian.

PERSONAL DATA
AND EXPERIENCE SURVEY

INSTRUCTIONS: Print or type one character in each box. Leave line blank if information is unknown. Use no punctuation. Use spaces between words for clarity. Use extra pages, if required, for Sections H and I. Refer to glossary and codelist in appendix.

NOTE: Information on page 1 of this form is for publication in the Schematismus Totius Ordinis. That on pages 2 and 3 is for internal office use by the Order.

SECTION A -- NAMES

01. Family name: JOHN HENSON
(Surname/Last name)
02. Religious name: DAVID
(From novitiate)
03. Baptismal name: DAVID
(Given legal name)
04. Any other name: ECTION
(Omit if none)
05. Mother's name: KATHRYN WILKIE
(Given & maiden name)
06. Father's name: DAVID
(Given name)

SECTION B -- BIRTH

07. Country of birth: UNITED STATES
08. City/place of birth: EMMERSON KENTUCKY
09. Diocese of birth: HOWARD
10. Date of birth: 10/3/51
(Use digits 0-9) day mon yr
11. Country of citizenship: UNITED STATES
12. Country where living now: UNITED STATES

SECTION C -- ORDER MEMBERSHIP

13. Reception to novitiate: 11/3/51
(Use digits 0-9) day mon yr
14. First profession date: 10/1/51
(Use digits 0-9) day mon yr
15. Solemn profession date: 11/1/51
(Use digits 0-9) day mon yr
16. Entity of reception: PR
(Use Province/Vice-province codelist)
17. Entity of membership: PR
(Use Province/Vice-province codelist)
18. Entity where living now: PR
(Use Prov/Vice-pr/Genl House codelist)

SECTION D -- ORDINATION DATES

19. Permanent Deaconate: 11/10/61
(Use digits 0-9) day mon yr
20. Priesthood ordination: 12/1/51
(Use digits 0-9) day mon yr
21. Episcopal ordination: 11/1/51
(Use digits 0-9) day mon yr

SECTION I POSITION / WORK EXPERIENCES

'a' grid use: Cook/Guardian/Definitior/Teacher/Gardener/Provincial/Tailor/Guide/
 Pastor/Porter/Infirmarian/Secretary/Professor/Writer/Missionary/
 Vicar Provincial/Custos/Visitator General/Librarian/Sacristan/Etc.
 'b' grid use: If Position/Work title in 'a' grid is unclear, use 'b' grid to
 describe it.

22a. Position/Work: HEAKHER (Identify Position/Work name)

b.

23a. Position/Work: PLASITOR (Identify Position/Work name)

b.

24a. Position/Work: RETICAT MASTER (Identify Position/Work name)

b.

25a. Position/Work:

 (Identify Position/Work name)

b.

26a. Position/Work:

 (Identify Position/Work name)

b.

SECTION F -- LANGUAGE FACILITY

27. ENGLISH (List 1st language)

(Facility scale: 0 = low, 5 = med, 9 = high)
 Speaking Listening Reading Writing

28a. MONIE (List 2nd language) 28b.

 28c.

 28d.

 28e.

 (Rate facility in 2nd language)

29a.

 (List 3rd language) 29b.

 29c.

 29d.

 29e.

 (Rate facility in 3rd language)

30a.

 (List 4th language) 30b.

 30c.

 30d.

 29e.

 (Rate facility in 4th language)

31a.

 (List 5th language) 31b.

 31c.

 31d.

 29e.

 (Rate facility in 5th language)

32a.

 (List 6th language) 32b.

 32c.

 32d.

 29e.

 (Rate facility in 6th language)

SECTION — ACADEMIC DEGREES

33a. BACHELOR ARTS BLACKISTW LEIS
Degree name
b. BA c. WOME Degree Honors d. 115 12 178
Deg Abbrv Date: day mon yr
e. BLACK AMERICAN HISTORICAL
Degree Speciality
f. UNIVERSITY CALIFORNIA SANTA BARBARA
Granting Institution
g. WOME Explanatory Remarks

34a. MASTER OF IDUUMITY
Degree name
b. MDIV c. WOME Degree Honors d. 101 06 181
Deg Abbrv Date: day mon yr
e. THEOLOGY
Degree Speciality
f. EBANNUISAM SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY
Granting Institution
g. WOME Explanatory Remarks

35a. MNA
Degree name
b. Deg Abbrv c. Degree Honors d. Date: day mon yr
e. Degree Speciality
f. Granting Institution
g. Explanatory Remarks

SECTION B -- SPECIAL SKILLS / TRAINING / LICENSES

'a' grid use: Mechanic/Pilot/Electrician/Painter/Typist/Cabinetmaker/Musician/Computers/
Nurse/Photographer/Tailor/Writer/Cook/Sculptor/Gardener/Preacher/Actor/Etc.
'b' grid use: Give speciality training details, sources, titles, licenses, dates received.

36a. Skill name: WIONEI (Identify speciality name)
 b. (Describe speciality training)

37a. Skill name: (Identify speciality name)
 b. (Describe speciality training)

38a. Skill name: (Identify speciality name)
 b. (Describe speciality training)

SECTION I -- P U B L I C A T I O N S / W O R K S / A R T

39a. Title: MOA (Identify publication/work/art name)

b. Description: (Describe work)

40a. Title: (Identify publication/work/art name)

b. Description: (Describe work)

PROVINCE, VICE - PROVINCE
ANL GENERAL - HOUSE CODELIST

AEGYPTUS			
S FAMILIAE	V01	IAPONIA	
AEQUATORIA		SS MARTYRUM IAPONIENSIVM	P39
S FRANCISCI DE QUITO	P01	INDIA	
AFRICA MERIDIONALIS		INDIAE S THOMAE APOSTOLI	P40
NOSTRAE DOMINAE REGINAE PACIS	V03	INDONESIA	
AFRICA ET MADAGASCAR		S MICHAELIS ARCHANGELI	P41
S FRANCISCI	V02	ITALIA	
ALBANIA		ADRIATICUM S BERNARDINI SENENSIS	P42
ANNUNTIATIONIS B M V	P02	APULIAE S MICHAELIS ARCHANGELI	P43
AMERICA CENTRALIS ET PANAMA		BAUSANENSIS S FRANCISCI ASSISIENSIS	P44
DOMINAE NOSTRAE DE GUADALUPE	P91	BONONIENSIS CHRISTI REGIS	P45
ANGLIA		CALABRIAE SS VII MARTYRUM	P46
IMMACULATAE CONCEPTIONIS B V M	P03	LIGURIAE SS CORDIS MARIAE	P47
ARGENTINA		LYCIENSIS ASSUMPTIONIS B M V	P48
FLUVII PLATA ASSUMPTIONIS B M V	P04	MEDIOLANENSIS S CAROLI BORROMAEI	P49
S MICHAELIS	P92	NEAPOLITANA SS CORDIS IESU	P50
AUSTRALIA		PEDEMONTANA S BONAVENTURAE	P51
SPIRITUS SANCTI	P05	PICENA S IACOBI DE MARCHIA	P52
AUSTRIA		ROMANA SS PETRI ET PAULI	P53
S BERNARDINI SENENSIS	P06	SALERNITANO-LUCANA IMMACULATAE CONC	P54
TYROLII S LEOPOLDI	P07	SAMNITO-HIRPINA S MARIAE GRATIARUM	P55
BELGIUM		SARDINIAE S MARIAE GRATIARUM	P56
S JOSEPH SPONSI B M V	P08	SERAPHICA S FRANCISCI ASSISIENSIS	P57
S MARIAE MEDIATRICES	P09	SICILIAE SS NOMINIS IESU	P58
BOLIVIA		TRIDENTINA S VIGILII	P59
MISSIONARIA S ANTONII	V04	TUSCIAE S FRANCISCI STIGMATIZATI	P60
BRASILIA		VENETA S ANTONII PATAVINI	P61
IMMACULATAE CONCEPTIONIS B V M	P13	YUGOSLAVIA	
NOSTRAE DOMINAE SEPTEM GAUDIUM	V05	BOSNAE ARGENTINAE S CRUCIS	P62
S ANTONII	P10	CROATIAE SS CYRILI ET METHODII	P63
S CRUCIS	P11	DALMATIAE S HIERONIMI (ZADAR)	P64
S FRANCISCI ASSISIENSIS	P12	DALMATIAE SS REDemptoris (SPLIT)	P65
SANCTISSIMI NOMINIS IESU	V07	HERCEGOVINA ASSUMPTIONIS B M V	P66
CANADA		SLOVENIAE S CRUCIS	P67
CHRISTI REGIS	P96	MELITA	
S JOSEPH SPONSI B M V	P14	S PAULI APOSTOLI	P68
CZECHOSLOVAKIA		MEXICUM	
BOHEMIAE ET MORAVIAE S VENCESLAI	P15	S EVANGELII	P69
SLOVAKIAE SS SALVATORIS	P16	SS FRANCISCI ET IACOBI DE JALISCO	P70
CHILIA		SS PETRI ET PAULI DE MICHOACAN	P71
SS TRINITATIS	P17	NEDERLANDIA	
COLUMBIA		SS MARTYRUM GORCOMIENSIVM	P72
S FIDEI	P18	PAPUA NOVA GUINEA ET SAL INSUL	
S PAULI APOSTOLI	P94	S FRANCISCI ASSISIENSIS	V11
COREA		PAKISTAN	
SS MARTYRUM COREANORUM	P93	S IOANNIS BAPTISTAE	V10
CURIA GENERALIS		PERU	
CURIA GENERALIS-ORDO FRAT MINORUM	G00	S FRANCISCI SOLANO	P73
DOMUS GENERALIS		SS XII APOSTOLORUM	P74
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GALLIA		S PETRI BAPTISTAE	P75
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FRANCIAE S PETRI APOSTOLI	P21	IMMACULATAE CONCEPTIONIS B V M	P78
GALLIAE S DIONYSII	P22	S HEDVIGIS	P77
LUGDUNENSIS S BERNARDINI SENENSIS	P23	S MARIAE ANGELORUM	P79
GERMANIA		PORTUGALLIA	
BAVARIAE S ANTONI PATAVINI	P24	SS MARTYRUM MARROCHIENSIVM	P80
COLONIAE SS TRIUM REGUM	P25	ROMANIA	
SAXONIAE S CRUCIS	P26	TRANSYLVANIAE S STEPHANI REGIS	P81
THURINGIAE S ELISABETH	P27	TAIWAN-FORMOSA	
GERMANIA ORIENTALIS		BMV REGINAE SINARUM	P95
S FRANCISCI	V09	TERRA SANCTA	
HELVETIA		CUSTODIA TERRAE SANCTAE	P90
CHRISTI REGIS	V08	USA	
HIBERNIA		ASSUMPTIONIS B V M	P82
HISPANIA	P28	IMMACULATAE CONCEPTIONIS B V M	P85
BAETICA		NOSTRAE DOMINAE DE GUADALUPE	P88
CANTABRIAE NOSTRAE DOMINAE A RUBO	P29	S BARBARAE	P83
CARTHAGINENSIS	P30	S CASIMIRI IN USA (LITHUANIA)	V13
CASTELLANA S GREGORII MAGNI	P31	S IOANNIS BAPTISTAE	P86
CATALAUNIAE S SALVATORIS A HORTA	P32	SS CORDIS IESU	P84
GRANATENSIS NOST DOMINAE A REGULA	P33	SS NOMINIS IESU	P87
S IACOBI A COMPOSTELLO	P34	SS SALVATORIS IN USA (SLOVAKIA)	V12
VALENTIAE ET ARAGONIAE S JOSEPH	P35	VIETNAMIA	
HUNGARIA	P36	S FRANCISCI IN VIETNAM	P89
S IOANNIS A CAPISTRANO	P37	ZAIRE	
S MARIAE	P38	S BENEDICTI AFRICANI	V14

OFM JOHN 1

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Province of St. Barbara

FRANCISCAN FRIARS

1500 34th Avenue Oakland California 94601 (510)536-3722 Fax (510)536-3970

April 6, 1998

David Johnson, OFM, Guardian
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
P.O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

Dear David,

As per our conversation, I have sent an obedience to Brother Victor Hunter to come to Three Rivers and help with the maintenance there. He will be getting in contact with you or Ignatius and the obedience states that he should be there around May 1st.

I've also requested Joe Brand to move to Santa Barbara by April 30th. I hope this is OK with you.

Be assured of my prayers. Thanks for all you do for the Province.

Eternally

Provincial Minister

COPY

To: David Johnson, OFM

From: [REDACTED]

RE: vacation money for Br. Victor Hunter, OFM
June 5, 1998

Dear Dave,

During the visitation, I stated that I would help with the money for Victor's vacation as the move came toward the end of his stay at San Miguel. Enclosed is a check for 300 dollars – someone gave me some money and I have no personal need at this moment. Please use it for Victor and I will speak with the Guardian of San Miguel when he recovers completely.

Take care. It was a fine visitation. You do a good job as guardian.

Faternally,

[REDACTED]

Min. Prov.



Province of St. Barbara

FRANCISCAN FRIARS

1500 34th Avenue Oakland California 94601 (510)536-3722 Fax (510)536-3970

November 19, 1998

Most Rev. John Steinbock, DD
The Diocese of Fresno
1550 N. Fresno Street
Fresno, CA 93717

Dear Bishop Steinbock:

I am writing to inform you that Father Ignatius DeGroot, OFM, who has been assigned to St. Anthony's Retreat, Three Rivers, as Director, is being reassigned outside the Diocese, effective December 31, 1998.

██████████ the Provincial Minister, has asked me to convey to you his gratitude for extending the faculties of the Diocese to Father Ignatius for the many years he has spent in Three Rivers.

✓ The Provincial Council has appointed Fr. David Johnson, OFM, to replace Fr. Ignatius as Director of the retreat center. It is our firm hope that we will be able to send a Spanish-speaking priest to assist Fr. David sometime during the month of January 1999.

Wishing every blessing on you and the Diocese, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Melvin A. Jurisich
(Rev.) Melvin A. Jurisich, OFM
Secretary of the Province

OFM JOHN 1

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Province of St. Barbara

FRANCISCAN FRIARS

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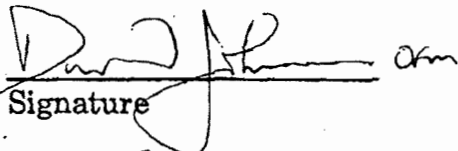
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES REGARDING "NO HARASSMENT" POLICY FOR FRIARS AND LAY MANAGERS

As a friar or lay manager or supervisor at St Anthony Retreat, I acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Province's "No Harassment" Policy. I understand that the organization can be held responsible for any acts of harassment that I commit, condone, or tolerate. I also understand that I can be sued personally for any such acts.

I understand that if I know of, or have reason to know of any act of harassment or of the existence of a hostile, intimidating, or offensive work environment at this organization and I fail to report it to higher management, both the organization and I can be placed in jeopardy.

Therefore, I will immediately report any act of harassment and will take whatever action is necessary to correct the situation.

I have participated in the training program provided by the Province on preventing harassment. I have received and I understand the Province's organization's "No Harassment" Policy and agree to abide by it.


Signature

10-8-98

Date

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PASTORAL CENTER

1550 NORTH FRESNO STREET
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93703-3788
TELEPHONE: (209) 488-7400

John
Steinbock

November 24, 1998

Rev. David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony Retreat House
P.O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

Dear Father Johnson,

I just received a letter telling me that the Provincial Council
of the Franciscan Friars, Province of St. Barbara has
appointed you as Director of the retreat center effective
December 31, 1998.

I just want to congratulate you and let you know I continue to
give thanks to God for your presence and ministry in the
diocese and at Three Rivers.

Be assured of my support and continued help.

Blessings and Prayers.

In Christ, our Lord,

John T. Steinbock

Most Reverend John T. Steinbock
Bishop, Diocese of Fresno

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cc: [REDACTED] OFM, Provincial
Rev. Rick Urizalqui - Dean - Hanford

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To: David Johnson, OFM, Guardian, Director

From: [REDACTED]

Re: finance council

February 26, 1999

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Dear David,

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Be assured of my prayers for you and your new ministry as director of St. Anthony's Retreat.

Gratefully and fraternally,

[REDACTED]

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Gratefully and fraternally,

[REDACTED]

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5-2-99

Dear [REDACTED]

I must not communicate as well as I would like. I had called you to see how the process might go forward, to share a mixture of feelings and to see if there wasn't something more I should know from your conversation with Kevin here at St. Anthony Retreat. I realize now this is not your role. However I did not recognize the conversation you referred to in your letter.

I have never diminished the harm and pain my actions caused people and most likely continue to cause them even today. I have never made light of that reality nor is it ever far from my mind. My victims are often in my prayers. This is the second time you have accused me of ignoring the pain of my victims. I believe your accusations are unfounded and unjust.

My issue with [REDACTED] is not just that she is a "meddling and interfering woman". My problem with Donna is that what she is saying isn't true. I believe there is a difference. I'm sorry you don't.

The province asked me to be the director of St. Anthony Retreat. It was not a job

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I sought after or really even expected given my situation, the newest allegations from SAS were already known to them. I specifically asked [REDACTED] if the appointment was appropriate given the newest charges. I reluctantly accepted because the province continued to ask me

I did not approach Kevin on my return. He approached me. He wanted to know who you were and why you were asking him those questions. I gave as general a response as I could.

I do not believe I have sexually harassed or been inappropriate with Kevin as a friar, a priest or an employer.

Finally Larry, I have been a friar 24 years. I have lived with you twice. My name is Johnson not Johnstone. Please afford me the dignity of at least spelling my name correctly in your correspondence.

Signed,
David Johnson

5-2-99

Dean [REDACTED]

This is a copy of the letter I sent to [REDACTED] It was the only way I could be sure what I told him was accurately portrayed. If he brings it up you will have seen it for yourself.

Unfortunately I do not see a good end to my present situation. I'm trying to trust in the Spirit but its hard.

Sincerely,

David John

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May 11, 1999

Fr. David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
P.O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

Dear Dave,

I am in receipt of the letter you sent to [REDACTED] Thank you for keeping me informed. I know this is not an easy time for you. Please know that I am praying for you and I think of you often.

We are in Danville for the Definitorium meeting. Should you wish to call me, please don't hesitate to do that. Should Israel Rosales get in touch with me, I will be more than glad to let you know.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]

Provincial Minister

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7/6/99

Dear [REDACTED]

This is just a note to remind you to please discuss the selling of an acre or so of land to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

I really believe Mrs. Edie Craig was so generous to us because we expressed interest in helping this couple and also because she values the retreat house so much.

As I went begging to her, I beg you to be generous. Since I heard no response from my first letter I probably said too much to the Cunninghams about the possibility of this happening.

So this, on a purely selfish level, would also take some of the sting out of my forced departure.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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To: David Johnson, OFM
From: [REDACTED]
RE: Request
July 6th, 1999

Dear David,

May the Lord give you peace!

I am in receipt of your fax of July 6th, 1999 wherein you requested selling an acre of land to Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham. As per our conversation, I plan to present this to the definitorium at its upcoming meeting (July 12th) for discussion and decision. You will be informed as to the definitorium's decision on the matter.

Thanks for all your hard work.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]

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July 15, 1999

Fr. David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat
P.O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

Dear David,

As I told you, I presented the request to sell an acre of land to the Cunningham family. The Definitorium discussed the item for some time. Their decision was this, that John Hardin who handles the Province property, will come to Three Rivers when he returns from the University of Notre Dame and he will speak with the donor of the additional land; I'm sure he will also speak with you at San Luis Rey and get an understanding regarding this sale. Then he will make a recommendation to the Definitorium at its September meeting. At this moment, the Definitorium decided to wait until John Hardin was available to look at the situation from all angles.

Once again I thank you for all your work at Three Rivers. Both the Definitorium and myself are greatly appreciative of all you do and have done.

Fraternally,

Provincial Minister

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November 16, 1998

Fr. David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat Center
P.O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

Dear David,

May the Lord give you peace.

I am writing you this letter informing you that, at the meeting of the Definitorium in San Juan Bautista, California during the month of November, it was decided that Fr. Ignatius DeGroot, director of the retreat house, would move to San Francisco January 1, 1999. At that time, we are asking you to take over the extra responsibility as director for the retreat house. We are also looking for another priest who will work with you at the retreat house.

Beginning January 1, 1999, your house will be yourself, Brother Victor, Brother Marion, and the friar that we are negotiating with to work with you. Please keep in touch and I will also keep in contact with you explaining how the community is in the process of being formed for the beginning of next year.

Thank you for your willingness and for all the work you do for the Province.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Provincial Minister
[REDACTED]



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To: David Johnson, OFM
From: [REDACTED]
RE: auto
August 2nd, 1999, feast of the Portiuncula

Dear Dave,

I hope this letter finds you well.

During visitation last month, we spoke of your need for a car while at San Luis Rey. We will take care of the insurance and the we have found a car that -- I am told -- runs well. It belonged to Bob Brady. It's a 1991 Buick.

Would you please call Lupe Aceves, Treasurer, and she will make the arrangements for you to get it.

Take care. I hope you have a fine summer.

Fraternally, [REDACTED]

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David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony's Retreat
Three Rivers, CA

August 4th, 1999

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Dear Dave,

Just a note to thank you for the many years of fine work at the Retreat House there. The province is very grateful to you for your willingness and generosity in serving the Three Rivers area.

I hope you have some time off to climb the mountains before you report to San Luis Rey. As per our conversation during the visitation, I have a scheduled visit with Bishop Brom later this month.

Please be assured of my prayers. Thanks again for your work there.

Fraternally,



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July 14, 1999

Fr. David Johnson, OFM
St. Anthony Retreat
P.O. Box 249
Three Rivers, CA 93271

Dear David,

I write you this letter to officially inform you that you will be leaving St. Anthony's Retreat Center the week of August 1st and you will begin residence at Old Mission San Luis Rey on August 17th.

David, I know the many positive comments the Bishop has made about your work there. I, too, am very appreciative of the time you spent at St. Anthony's Retreat. Please accept my gratitude and that of the Definitorium. Thank you. I hope this change is a very significant step in your life.

Be assured of my prayers.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]
Provincial Minister

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July 15, 1999

To: Father David Johnson, OFM

From: [REDACTED]
Provincial Minister

After prayer and consultation, and considering the many needs of the people to whom we minister, I am formally requesting that you move from St. Anthony Retreat Center, Three Rivers, California to Old Mission San Luis Rey, California, effective August 17, 1999.

As a sign of your acceptance, please sign below and return to the Provincial Office.

Fraternally

[REDACTED]

Provincial Minister

date: Jul 15, 1999

To the Provincial Minister:

In accordance with the promises I have made to the Lord and to our Brotherhood, I accept the above transfer.

(signature of friar)

(date)



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David Johnson, OFM
Old Mission
San Luis Rey, CA
April 10th, 2000

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Dear David,

It was good speaking with you yesterday. Thanks for showing me the
"proposed" place of the "proposed" via dolorosa.

When I return from Santa Barbara on Tuesday morn, I'll call [REDACTED] and
yourself and we will set up a three-way conference call to make the plans
for the 3 month bike-ride.

Take care.

Peace.

[REDACTED]

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**Franciscan Friars,
Province of Saint
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To:	<u>Franciscan Communities, Province of St. Barbara</u>
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It is with regret that we inform you of the death Friday in Phoenix, Arizona, of Mr. Drual Johnson, father of Fr. David Johnson, OFM. Funeral Mass will be held Monday, June 5, (1:00 PM) at Sts. Simon & Jude Cathedral in Phoenix. Your prayers for David and the family are requested.

**IMPORTANT!! PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION
ON TO THE HOUSES YOU USUALLY CONTACT FOR
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS. SEE PAGES 18 - 20
OF THE CURRENT PROVINCIAL DIRECTORY.**

THANK YOU.

Stephen Samufsky, OFM



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Votum of the Minister Provincial for Rev. David Johnson, OFM

With a heavy heart, I write this votum for a dispensation for the Reverend David Johnson (n. 3/5/51). In 1994, the province of St. Barbara had a series of allegations of sexual abuse of students in our minor seminary during the 1960s and 1970s. There was an allegation against David Johnson at that time. Later, in the 1990s, there was another allegation from a different student against David. The alleged action took place during his years as a teacher at the minor seminary. As a result of the allegations and in order to obtain faculties for him with the local ordinaries, certain conditions to minimize the risk were placed upon David's external ministry. Quite recently, there was a new allegation against David. With the new allegation, further conditions would be placed on his ministry. David did not want any more conditions and felt that he did not and could not have much of a future with the St. Barbara province and other Franciscan provinces and dioceses in the United States. Hence, he is petitioning for the dispensation.

The Definitorium of the province of St. Barbara, at the meeting of January 7th to January 12th, 2001 unanimously approved the request for the dispensation.

I think that this is what is best for David and for the province. There will be no scandal should the request be granted. I recommend the dispensation.

Respectfully

[Redacted signature]

Min. Prov.



Date: January 12th, 2001, Provincial Curia, Elizabeth's Friary, Oakland, CA.

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