Dear Father Dudzinski:

As the Diocese of Wilmington prepares for the audit of the National Review Board of our compliance with the Essential Norms, I wanted to put in writing for the record our understanding with you.

In accord with the Essential Norms prepared by the Mixed Commission of Bishops and accepted by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, you are not permitted to celebrate Mass publicly or to administer the sacraments. You may not wear clerical garb nor present yourself publicly as a priest. You are to lead a life of prayer and penance.

In the near future, one of my staff will be in contact with you to determine your present circumstances and to discuss with you your canonical right to seek voluntary laicization.

These are painful days for the Church and I know that they have been painful days for you personally. I will continue to keep you and your intentions in my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Michael A. Saltarelli
Most Reverend Michael A. Saltarelli
Bishop of Wilmington