Diocese of Metuchen, New Jersey
Volunteer Application

Diocese/Parish/School/Facility: _____

Town/City: _____

Name _____ Date of Birth: _____

Maiden Name: _____

Street address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

How long at current address: _____

Phone: Home (___)_____ Work (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Name of Volunteer Service Position:_____

What Parish do you belong to? Name _____Town _____ For how long? ____

Current employer_____ Address_____

Check here _____ if you have had a criminal records check with one of the Diocese of Metuchen Catholic Schools and/or Parishes. Enter date of last record check: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor? Yes / No. If yes, explain_____

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NOTICE: If you are applying for a position where you will have direct contact with a child or children under the age of 18 years in more than one instance; or where you will engage in an overnight activity with a child or children under the age of 18, even in one instance; or where you will have contact with adults who are senior citizens or who have physical or mental limitations, you shall be subject to a criminal history background investigation before your volunteer services begin.

Volunteer Applicant Consent Form for a
Criminal History Background Investigation

Please review the following information carefully and sign below where indicated.

I, [_____] certify and declare under penalty of perjury under State and Federal
name of volunteer applicant
law that the information contained in my Volunteer Application submitted to the Diocese of Metuchen (the "**DIOCESE**") is complete, true and accurate. I understand that falsification or omission of any requested information may result in immediate termination of my volunteer position or activities.

I understand that as part of my volunteer application process and as part of my volunteer activities, a criminal background investigation may be performed on me. In consideration of the **DIOCESE's** review of my application to volunteer and/or my continuing volunteer activities, I now consent to and allow the **DIOCESE**, or its authorized agents bearing this release or copy of this release, to perform a criminal and personal background investigation on me. I also authorize them to contact any past church, youth organizations, agencies where volunteer service have been completed, and any individual or organization which might be relevant to my desired volunteer position. Such individuals and organizations are authorized to release such information as may be requested by Diocesan/Parish personnel**.**

I authorize all persons and organizations, including law enforcement agencies and Courts that may have information concerning this background investigation, to disclose such information to the **DIOCESE** or its authorized agents. I hereby release the **DIOCESE**, its authorized agents, and all persons and organizations providing information from all claims and liabilities of any nature in connection with this investigation. I hereby further authorize that a photocopy of this authorization may be considered as valid as the original.

I understand that the Diocese of Metuchen and Parish have a "ZERO TOLERANCE FOR ABUSE" policy and that they take all allegations of abuse seriously. I further understand that they will cooperate fully with the authorities to investigate all claims of abuse. A claim of abuse of any child or any vulnerable adult, including any person who is elderly or has physical or mental limitations, are grounds for immediate termination of my service.

I further attest that I will read and abide by the Diocesan, Pastoral Code of Conduct when working with minor children and vulnerable adults.

_____ _____
Signature of Volunteer Date

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Printed Name