



South Carolina Kairos Clergy Application

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PLEASE TYPE ALL ANSWERS EXCEPT THE SIGNATURE.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Title: _____ Cell phone number: _____

Address : _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email address: _____

I hereby apply to become a Clergy volunteer in South Carolina.

I certify that I have read SC Code § 19-11-90 in the addendum at the end of this document.

1. I was ordained licensed on _____ (month) ____ (day) _____ (year) and have included a copy of my (ordination or license). Yes No
2. My denomination (Church) is _____ and I am clergy in good standing in that denomination. Yes No
3. To become ordained licensed I was required to successfully complete formal training in that denomination. Yes No
4. I am actively engaged in retired from full or part-time ministry in the Church.
5. I can work effectively in an ecumenical setting with lay persons and clergy from a large number of different Christian denominations. Yes No
6. I further understand that, under South Carolina law, clergy cannot disclose information given to them in confidence pursuant to their duties as qualified clergy, without the consent of the person who entrusted that information to them. Yes No
7. I understand that in my status as clergy I am entitled to assert the clergy-penitent privileged communications law; however, my status as a clergy person may be legally challenged. Yes No
8. Based upon S.C. code §19-11-90, I certify that I am fully qualified to conduct legally protected discussions in my capacity as a clergy. Yes No

I hereby certify that I am 25 years of age or older.

If serving with Kairos Inside, I will serve primarily at the following South Carolina institution

Additional questions: The following questions are provided to assist the reviewers in their determination of your qualification for the clergy-penitent privilege. Because of the serious consequences to you should you become involved in litigation about clergy-penitent privilege, we want to make sure that you are qualified under our understanding of the law. We have added this process for your protection.

Please provide answers to these questions as a part of your application.

A. These questions are about your formal training leading to your ordination.

1. Where was your training and education received? (name, location of seminary or other educational organization)

2. How long was the training/education period that you completed?

3. Did you receive an academic diploma and record/transcripts from this course of training/education?

4. What degree, diploma, or certificate was conferred and when?

5. Was the faculty, course of study and the resulting degree accredited, and if so by what authority?

6. Did the training that you completed include clinical experience in counseling?

7. Did the training include the subject of hearing confession and the resultant clergy-penitent relationship and privileged communications?

B. These questions are about the church authority that was responsible for your formal training and for your ordination:

1. What church authority issued the certificate of ordination or licensing?

2. Is this a denomination, a group of affiliated churches, or a single church?

If this is a single church or group of churches answer questions 3-6, below:

3. What is the estimated total number of the membership of this single church or group of churches? _____

4. How many persons did this church authority ordain/license in the last year?

5. What are the requirements for ordination/licensing in this church?

6. What is the process to become ordained clergy in this church?

C. These are questions about the church office in which you have been ordained/licensed:

1. What is the church office to which you are ordained?

2. What are the principle duties for this office?

3. How long have you held this office?

4. Does your church office expressly permit you to hear the confessions of members of your congregation or others who come into your church for ministry?

5. Were you ever disciplined by your Church or denomination?

 X
Signature

Date

This is the end of the questions on the application.

Please print, sign, scan and save, then return via email to Fred Wetherell at
fredwetherell@gmail.com.

You may attach additional pages to your email if the space provided was not sufficient.

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ADDENDUM

**2013 South Carolina Code of Laws
Title 19 - Evidence
CHAPTER 11 - COMPETENCY OF WITNESSES
SECTION 19-11-90. Priest-penitent privilege.**

**Universal Citation: SC Code § 19-11-90 (2013)
In any legal or quasi-legal trial, hearing or proceeding before any court, commission or committee no regular or duly ordained minister, priest or rabbi shall be required, in giving testimony, to disclose any confidential communication properly entrusted to him in his professional capacity and necessary and proper to enable him to discharge the functions of his office according to the usual course of practice or discipline of his church or religious body. This prohibition shall not apply to cases where the party in whose favor it is made waives the rights conferred.**

HISTORY: 1962 Code Section 26-409; 1959 (51) 344.