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VIA HAND-DELIVERY

Fairfax County Circuit Court
ATTENTION: Robin Brooks
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RE: *Multi-Circuit Episcopal Church Property Litigation*, (Circuit Court of Fairfax County, CL-2007-0248724);

In re: Truro Church; (Circuit Court of Fairfax County; CL 2006-15792);

In re: Church of the Apostles; (Circuit Court of Fairfax County; CL 2006-15793);

In re: Church of the Word, Gainesville; (Circuit Court of Prince William County; CL 2007-11514);

The Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia v. Church of the Epiphany, Herndon (Circuit Court of Fairfax County; CL 2007-1235);

The Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia v. Truro Church (Circuit Court of Fairfax County; CL 2007-1236);

The Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia v. Christ the Redeemer Church (Circuit Court of Fairfax County; CL 2007-1237);

The Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia v. Church of the Apostles (Circuit Court of Fairfax County; CL 2007-1238);

The Episcopal Church v. Truro Church et al. (Circuit Court of Fairfax County; CL 2007-1625);

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Dear Ms. Brooks:

I am enclosing for filing in the above-styled case an original CANA Congregations' Opening Post-Trial Memorandum Concerning Application of Va. Code § 57-9, plus twenty-one (21) copies of a one-page covers sheet to be placed in the file for the above-styled cases.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR FAIRFAX COUNTY

In re:

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Civil Case Numbers:

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CL 2007-5363,

CL 2007-5364,

CL 2007-5682,

CL 2007-5683,

CL 2007-5684,

CL 2007-5685,

CL 2007-5686,

CL 2007-5902,

CL 2007-5903, and

CL 2007-11514

**CANA CONGREGATIONS' OPENING POST-TRIAL MEMORANDUM
CONCERNING APPLICATION OF VIRGINIA CODE § 57-9**

Truro Church, The Falls Church, Church of the Apostles, Church of the Epiphany, Church of Our Saviour at Oatlands, Church of the Word, St. Margaret's Church, Christ the Redeemer Church, St. Stephen's Church, St. Paul's Church, and Potomac Falls Church (collectively, the "CANA Congregations") and various associated defendants respectfully submit this

memorandum of law concerning the application of Va. Code § 57-9 to the facts established at the bench trial conducted between November 13 and November 20, 2007 (the “hearing” or “trial”).¹

¹ (CL 2007-1236; CL 2007-1238; CL 2007-1235; CL 2007-1237; CL 2007-5683; CL 2007-5682; CL 2007-5684; CL 2007-5362; CL 2007-5364; CL 2007-5250; CL 2007-5902; and CL 2007-5903).

