

DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA

IN THE TITLE IV MATTER OF THE REVEREND LURA KAVAL, RESPONDENT

To: Bradfute W. Davenport, Jr., Esq., Church Attorney

Request for Review of Ministry Restrictions (Pastoral Direction)

Pursuant to Canon IV.7.10, Respondent requests review of the imposition of ministry restrictions and terms and conditions thereof set forth in the Pastoral Direction issued by letter dated October 24, 2019 (hereafter the "October Letter"), to Reverend Lura Kaval from the Rt. Rev. Susan E. Goff, the Suffragan Bishop and Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Virginia. A copy of the October Letter is attached to the Hearing Panel Notice, dated March 24, 2021, issued to Rev. Kaval in the Title IV proceeding in which she is the Respondent. Also attached to that Notice is a copy of the Diocesan Policy on Resigning Priests, referenced in the October Letter.

1. A Hearing Panel having been appointed, it received from the Church Attorney a Statement of Alleged Offenses, which gave rise to the Notice of March 24 issued by the Hearing Panel to the Respondent. Therefore, pursuant to Canon IV.7.11, the requested review as to whether the imposed Pastoral Direction is warranted is to be conducted by that Panel.
2. Respondent came to the Church of the Incarnation, in Mineral, Virginia ("Incarnation"), in the fall of 2016, where she served initially as Long Term Supply Priest in accord with letters of appointment from Bishop Goff effective through December 1, 2017. By Letter of Agreement effective that date, she was appointed to serve as Vicar for one year. Her service as Vicar was renewed for another year by Letter of Agreement effective December 1, 2018. (A copy of that Letter of Agreement is attached to the Hearing Panel Notice, but the copy includes what appears to be an erroneous effective date of December 1, 2017.)
3. During 2019, Respondent, continuing in faithful compliance with her ordination vows, ministered the Word of God and the sacraments of the New Covenant so that the reconciling love of Christ would be known and received by the Incarnation congregation. Respondent will show that her faithful ministry led the Incarnation congregation to prosper in their faith and ministries, such that this Mission of the Diocese was making steady progress toward becoming a Parish.

