

**THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA HEARING PANEL  
IN THE TITLE IV MATTER OF  
THE REVEREND DR. CAYCE RAMEY, RESPONDENT**

**STATEMENT OF THE CHURCH ATTORNEY OF  
THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA TO THE HEARING PANEL OF  
ALLEGED OFFENSES OF THE REVEREND DR. CAYCE RAMEY, RESPONDENT**

Pursuant to Canon IV.13.2, the Church Attorney states as follows:

1. The Respondent is a priest canonically resident in the Diocese of Virginia.
2. In 2022 the Respondent refused to receive Holy Communion himself and did not celebrate Holy Eucharist or administer it to others, stating that he would not do so again until there is clear proof of repentance and amendment of life in the Episcopal Church regarding white supremacy and racial injustice. And, even assuming for the sake of argument that a priest may refuse Communion to a group (which he cannot), he is required to notify the bishop within fourteen days at the most, giving the reasons for refusing Communion. Respondent did not so notify the bishop.
3. Respondent's actions are Offenses as set forth in Title IV, including but not limited to his duty to abide by the promises and vows made when he was ordained (Canon IV.4.1(c)), his duty to refrain from habitual neglect of public worship and of the Holy Communion according to the order and use of the Church (Canon IV.4.1(h)(8)), his duty to conform to the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer (Canon IV.4.1(b), and his duty to refrain from any Conduct Unbecoming a Member of the Clergy (Canon IV.4.1(h)(9)).

Date: June 3, 2023

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