

CONSECRATION OF A VIRGIN FOR A WOMAN LIVING IN THE WORLD

According to Canon 604

Letters of Reference (sample)

(Arch)Diocese of _____

Address

Reference for: _____

As a Consecrated Virgin Living in the World, according to Canon 604

Note: This petitioner for the Consecration of a Virgin has agreed that you may respond to these questions.

Please be as thorough and specific as possible as you answer as many of these questions as you can.

1. Under what circumstances did you come to know her? How long have you known her? What is your present contact?
2. What characteristics do you observe that make her a fitting candidate for Consecrated Virginitv Lived in the World?
3. What is her understanding of the doctrine of the faith and of the discipline of the Church?
4. How has she shown her faith in practice? Can you attest to her way of life as virtuous?
5. What is her experience and understanding of prayer and the spiritual life?
6. Describe the quality of her relationships with people.
7. How does she understand herself as a woman? How does she understand her sexuality?
8. Is she a mature, integral person? Has she demonstrated freedom and maturity in making decisions for herself?
9. How does she understand Consecrated Virginitv Lived in the World? Does she understand it as a gift of grace? Does she understand the responsibilities that this vocation entails for the rest of her life?
10. How has her call to consecrated virginitv lived in the world been tested over time?
11. How does she understand her relationship with the neighborhood/area in which she lives?
12. In your opinion, does the applicant possess sufficient age, prudence, and universally esteemed character to provide assurance of perseverance in a life of perpetual chastity dedicated to the service of the Church and of her neighbor?

13. Other comments. . . .

Evaluator's name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP code: _____

Phone : _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____