FORM 1a

(Rule 4)

**Clergy Discipline Measure 2003**

**Complaint under the Clergy Discipline Measure 2003 about a priest or deacon**

*When your complaint is received by the bishop* ***your name will be disclosed to the person you complain about ("the respondent")****, but you may request that your contact details should not be disclosed.*

# To the Bishop of

My full name is:

My contact address, including postcode, is:

*\*\*Telephone & e-mail details are optional, but it could be helpful to the registrar and bishop to have them.*

\*\*My contact telephone number is:

\*\*My e-mail address is:

*lf you tick the box you must give reasons - your contact details would then be disclosed to the respondent only if the registrar so directed.*

# I request that my contact details should not be disclosed to the respondent for the following reasons:

# I wish to make a complaint of misconduct against:

*State the name of the person you wish to complain about, and the position held by that person at the relevant time.*

Name:

Position held:

*State how you are entitled to make the complaint - fill in the gaps where appropriate, & tick* ***one*** *box only. lf you have been nominated by the PCC you MUST attach a certified copy of the resolutions required under section l0(l)(a)(i) of the Clergy Discipline Measure.*

# I am entitled to make this complaint because:

I have been nominated by the Parochial Church Council of

which has a proper interest in making the complaint, and I attach a certified copy of the resolution passed by the Parochial Church Council under section 10(1)(a)(i) of the Clergy Discipline Measure

*or*

I am a churchwarden of the parish of which

has a proper interest in making the complaint

*For example, you would have a proper interest, if you have personally observed or experienced the alleged misconduct.*

*or*

I have a proper interest in making the complaint because:

*By law no complaint can be made unless the misconduct occurred within the last l2 months. lf there is good reason why you did not make a complaint within that time limit, you can apply to the President of Tribunals using form lc for permission to extend it****.***

# The misconduct about which I complain took place on the following date(s):

# The misconduct about which I complain is as follows:

*The matters about which you may complain are set out in section 8 of the Clergy Discipline Measure 2003.*

*Summarise the facts of your complaint; include the names if known of anybody you refer to.*

***Please note:***

***If your complaint concerns serious criminal conduct then you should report it to the police or other relevant body. If you do not, the bishop may be under a duty to do so.***

# I attach written evidence in support of my complaint, consisting of the

**following statements and other documents:**

***You must provide evidence in support and send it with the complaint unless the bishop gives permission to send the evidence later****. This evidence could be your own signed statement, which can be set out in this form or be in a separate document attached to it. You can also attach signed statements from witnesses. All witness statements should be in form 3 of the Clergy Discipline Rules. Letters or other material such as photographs may be submitted if relevant.*

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*(Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)*

# I believe that the facts of my complaint are true

*Unless you sign, the complaint cannot be considered.*

# Signed: Dated: