

## CANON IV

### **Reception and Recognition of Clergy from Churches in Full Communion with The Anglican Church of Canada**

1. A member of the clergy of a church in full communion with The Anglican Church of Canada<sup>1</sup>, duly ordained by a bishop of that church, may be received into a diocese as a lawful bishop, priest or deacon of The Anglican Church of Canada when he or she:
  - a) is of the required age, of virtuous conversation, without crime, and learned in Holy Scripture,
  - b) presents to the diocesan bishop Letters *Bene Decessit*, or equivalent credentials, from the bishop of the diocese or equivalent jurisdiction with which he or she was last connected,
  - c) promises in writing to submit in all things to the discipline of The Anglican Church of Canada, and
  - d) subscribes and makes the declarations required of clergy of The Anglican Church of Canada.
2. Clergy of a church in full communion with The Anglican Church of Canada may execute any of the functions of a bishop, priest or deacon in The Anglican Church of Canada, according to the ordained status which they hold in their church, when duly licensed or permitted by a diocesan bishop.

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<sup>1</sup> See Appendix R.