



# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Most Reverend Katharine Jefferts Schori  
*Presiding Bishop and Primate*

October 7, 2009


The Rt. Rev. Keith Ackerman  
1609 Scot Lane  
Keller, TX 76248

Dear Keith,

Thank you for your follow up note regarding your plans to function as a bishop in the Diocese of Bolivia in the Province of the Southern Cone. As you know, there is no provision for transferring a bishop to another Province.

I am therefore releasing you from the obligations of ordained ministry in this Church, as seen in the attached document.

Your servant in Christ,

  
Katharine Jefferts Schori

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To: The Secretary of the House of Bishops  
The Secretary of the General Convention  
The Bishops of the Episcopal Church  
The Secretary of Convention of the Diocese of Quincy  
The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Quincy  
The Recorder of Ordinations  
The Church Pension Fund  
The Church Deployment Board

## **Renunciation of Ordained Ministry And Declaration of Removal and Release**

In accordance with Title III, Canon 12, Section 7 of the Canons of the Episcopal Church, and with the advice and consent of the Advisory Council to the Presiding Bishop, I have accepted the renunciation of the Ordained Ministry of this Church, made in writing to me in July 2009 by

**The Right Rev. Keith L. Ackerman**  
**Bishop of Quincy, Resigned**

who is, therefore, removed from the Ordained Ministry of this Church and released from the obligations of all Ministerial offices, and is deprived of the right to exercise the gifts and spiritual authority as a Minister of God's Word and Sacraments conferred on him in Ordinations.

This action is taken for causes that do not affect his moral character.

+ Herbert d. Donovan, Jr.  
Episcopal Witness

+ Mark W. Beckett  
Episcopal Witness

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