

**JOHN LITTON ELLIOT**

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**DEED  
RELINQUISHING HOLY ORDERS**

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BY THIS DEED I, JOHN LITTON ELLIOT of Brisbane in the State of Queensland having been ordained Deacon in the year 1985 and ordained Priest in 1986 according to the rites and ceremonies of the Anglican Church of Australia ("Holy Orders") DO ACKNOWLEDGE that by reason of my conviction of certain crimes related to pedophilia and my conduct relating thereto and the scandal or evil report emanating therefrom it is appropriate that I should now surrender and relinquish these Holy Orders in so far as I am able to do so in order that I may become a layman again for the purposes of the Law of the Anglican Church of Australia and my conduct in the public domain

NOW BY THIS DEED I DO HEREBY RELINQUISH the said Holy Orders of a Deacon and of a Priest of the Anglican Church of Australia and I DO HEREBY UNDERTAKE AND AGREE that I will hereafter conduct myself only as layman for the purposes of the Anglican Church of Australia and a non-ordained person in the public domain AND that I shall not hereafter hold myself out or present or pass myself off as a Priest or Deacon of the Church nor in any other manner adopt the style or manner of a Clergyman of the Church AND I DO AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the Archbishop for the time being of the Diocese of Brisbane of the Anglican Church of Australia to make such record of this relinquishment as he shall think fit and to make such public statement as to the fact of it as he shall think appropriate from time to time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal the *THIRTEENTH* day of *JUNE* 2002.

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED  
by the said JOHN LITTON ELLIOT  
in the presence of:

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I, WARREN ROBERT DARNLEY of REDACTED in

the State of Queensland do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:-

1. I was present with **JOHN LITTON ELLIOT** on the *13* day of *June* 2002 when he signed a Deed of Relinquishment of his Holy Orders as a Deacon and as a Priest of the Anglican Church of Australia and I subscribed my name as a witness to his signature on the Deed.
2. Prior to his signing the Deed I satisfied myself that the said **JOHN LITTON ELLIOT** fully understood the nature of the Relinquishment of his Holy Orders and that so far as I am aware he did not do so under any threat or duress and I am satisfied that he signed the document of his own free will believing that it is in his own interests as well as in the interests of the Church for him to relinquish his Orders and to adopt the manner and style of a lay person in the Anglican Church.

AND I MAKE this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the *Oaths Act 1867 to 1981*.

SIGNED AND DECLARED by the abovenamed at  
 this *13* day of *June* 2002 )  
 before me: )

*Warren R Darnley*

*K Pocock*  
 A Justice of the Peace (Qual) 4059