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Gentlemen:

I am writing as a representative of the Jurisdiction of the Armed Forces and Chaplaincy (“J AFC”) to make an offer in compromise on its behalf pursuant to Rule 408 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

As you know, Bishop Derek Jones is the Bishop of the Armed Forces and Chaplaincy and as such, is the ecclesiastical head of the J AFC. Archbishop Wood and others acting on behalf of the Anglican Church in North America have falsely claimed to depose Bishop Jones as Bishop of the Armed Forces and Chaplaincy and to replace or usurp the J AFC as the endorser of Anglican chaplains, causing serious harm to Bishop Jones, the J AFC, and the chaplains and Government agencies whom the J AFC is serving.

Bishop Jones has consistently sought reconciliation with Archbishop Wood since the day he attempted to inhibit Bishop Jones – and, despite the serious infirmities, procedural and otherwise, raised by Bishop Jones in the Title IV proceedings ACNA purported to bring against him in its own limited Province. While the minor issues raised regarding Bishop Jones affect only his relationship with ACNA, the actions you have taken to appropriate J AFC’s functions and leadership to yourselves have damaged the J AFC as a nonprofit corporation and as an ecclesiastical endorser. Those harms are leading swiftly and perhaps inexorably toward litigation.

However, for the sake of healing in the Body of Christ, Bishop Jones makes the following offer:

- The Archbishop will acknowledge that his attempt to have Bishop Jones investigated prior to a Presentment and finding of probable cause by a properly appointed Board of Inquiry had no basis in Title IV and that the proper solution would be to amend Title IV and not to attempt to circumvent it.
- The Archbishop will acknowledge that Bishop Jones never refused, and in fact agreed, to be investigated according to the proper procedures of Title IV.

- The Archbishop will acknowledge that the accusations brought against Bishop Jones were minor and that his behavior toward Bishop Jones was not appropriate, especially as between brother bishops.
- The ACNA will halt any efforts to transfer chaplains to another endorsing contractor, in this case the REC.
- The Archbishop will acknowledge that the JAFC is a separate 501(c)(3) organization established in 2009 prior to the existence of the ACNA and has its own Board of Directors.
- The language of Canon 11 to be approved is that which was created by the Chaplain Advisory Board and Archbishop Beach and submitted to the Governance Taskforce for submission at the 2023 Provincial Council in accordance with its prior agreement with Bishop Jones and the JAFC when they initiated transfer from the Church of Nigeria to the ACNA in March 2022.
- Upon implementing the amendment to Canon 11, the JAFC will be permitted to reaffiliate with the ACNA as the entity fulfilling the functions of the amended Canon 11.
- Upon implementing the amendment to Canon 11 and re-affiliation of the JAFC with the ACNA in accordance with the provision above, Bishop Jones will retire as ordinary, and Bishop Jay will be removed from his new position and be forbidden to interact with the JAFC or its chaplains.
- Promptly following the above actions, the JAFC will hold a special convocation called to elect a new bishop.
- All instances of homosexual, pro-LGBTQ, pro-abortion clergy who have been ordained to circumvent JAFC Accessions shall be named within the College of Bishops in closed synod, and a report and process will be created to prevent the bypassing of orthodoxy.
- The ACNA will pay the total attorney fees accrued by JAFC in its defense of ACNA's recent conduct and will agree never to infringe on the trademarks and service marks of the JAFC again.
- The ACNA will issue a statement to repair Bishop Jones's damaged reputation and retract its former statements about Bishop Jones with all entities contacted and disseminate this statement in the same places and manner that all negative statements about Bishop Jones have been disseminated.

Please respond no later than Monday, September 29, 2025.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Jonathan R. Nelson

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