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The Hon. William T. McGee, Jr.
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Re: Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth property transition

Dear Judge McGee,

I am writing this letter in my capacity as Chancellor for the continuing Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, a diocese of the Episcopal Church. I am writing to you because I understand that you still represent Bishop Iker and others who have recently left the Episcopal Church and the Diocese yet still maintain possession and control of property of the Diocese and/or its congregations. I am also sending a copy of this letter to Rickey Brantley, who we understand also acts as counsel for some of these same persons. I ask that you please forward a copy of this letter to any other attorneys who represent those persons.

As you are aware, Bishop Iker is no longer a bishop of the Episcopal Church nor, therefore, of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth. The former members of the Diocesan Standing Committee who withdrew from the Episcopal Church to affiliate with the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone no longer hold their former positions in the Diocese. Other Diocesan leaders similarly vacated their offices by withdrawing from the Episcopal Church. Many of those offices were filled on February 7, 2009 in a Special Meeting of the Diocesan Convention. The Rt. Rev. Edwin F. Gulick, Jr. now serves as Provisional Bishop of the Diocese, and other Diocesan offices, including the Standing Committee and the Board of Trustees for Corporation for the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth ("Corporation"), have been filled by qualified persons who remain in the Episcopal Church.

On behalf of Bishop Gulick, the Diocese, and the Corporation, I respectfully request that Bishop Iker and those working with him or otherwise claiming authority from him take no action inconsistent with the reorganization of the continuing Diocese or with the continuing interest of the Episcopal Church in church property of the Diocese and its congregations. In addition I ask that they preserve and protect all funds, records, and other real and personal property of the Diocese and its congregations currently under their control. Finally, I ask that they cooperate with us to effect an orderly transfer of the possession and control of that church property to the proper officials in the continuing Diocese and its congregations. Please know that we will happily cooperate to provide copies of any relevant documents needed by those who have left the Episcopal Church.

In addition I ask that those who claim to be affiliated with the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone cease using the name of and claiming authority under the "Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth" and each of its congregations, e.g., "St. Stephen's Episcopal Church," as well using as the

official logos and seals of the Diocese and its congregations, respectively. Their continued use of these names and emblems is not authorized, violates the existing rights of the Diocese and its congregations in those names and emblems, and unnecessarily creates confusion among third parties.

Would you please contact me upon your receipt of this letter so that we may schedule a meeting to plan the orderly transition of these Diocesan and congregation assets? I look forward to working with you and others to accomplish this transition and hope that we can offer a model to others in the manner that we effect these remaining details of this sad chapter in the life of our spiritual community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Wells". The signature is written in black ink and has a long, horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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