

Doherty

Confidential Memorandum

To: Cardinal Law

From: Reverend William F. Murphy *WFM*

Date: October 22, 1997

Re: Deacon Mark Doherty

Your Eminence,

I consulted with Fr. Lennon regarding Deacon Doherty's request to incardinate to Charlotte, NC.

Fr. Lennon says that if we are not willing to ordain him, then, while permitted by Canon Law, it would not be proper for you to excardinate him for service in another Diocese.

However Bishop Curlin is aware of Mark's situation and is still willing to take him on.

My suggestion would be for you to write to Bishop Curlin and request that he incardinate Mark without the ordinary process.

If you allow the ordinary incardination process, the Archdiocese retains responsibility for Mark at no risk to Charlotte and you would have acted contrary to the Policy.

I will prepare a letter if you like.

-- Bill