

The Last Sunday of Epiphany

February 15, 2026

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ in the Anglican Church in North America,

The Governance Task Force (GTF) is pleased to share with you a revised draft, styled “Version 3.1,” of our proposed wholesale revision of the ACNA’s Title IV disciplinary canons.

This Version 3.1 arose out of discussions regarding what was meant by the inclusion of the phrase “trauma informed training” in Version 3.0. The GTF has now provided in this Version 3.1

- proposed language about the need for the RIC to include in its ranks human resources practitioners with interviewing skills that are not inclined to re-traumatize those who may have suffered abuse; and
- a new paragraph in canon IV.6.3.3. that outlines the sensitivities needed to properly conduct interviews.

In all events, we did not intend to include by reference all of the secular meanings subsumed in the phrase “trauma informed training,” and have thus removed that phrase. We pray these new disciplinary canons will allow us to seek the truth in a way that does no further harm to either reporting parties or the accused.

As always, the GTF commends this further refined Version 3.1 of our province’s proposed revisions to Title IV to your prayerful and careful reading and comment. We suggest readers start with this Version 3.1 and, if one desires to see the redlines that moved us from Version 2.0 to 3.0, consult the redline posted on or about February 2, 2026. That redline is complete except for the minor redlines visible in this Version 3.1 (with new comments highlighted in a garish green for easy reference).

Comments can be made via the provincial website at [www.anglican church.net/title-iv-review](http://www.anglican church.net/title-iv-review) or by emailing Fr. Andrew Rowell at [arowell@christchurchanglican.net](mailto:arowell@christchurchanglican.net).

This final comment period will extend a little farther than originally planned due to the release of this new Version 3.1 and will close March 20, 2026, rather than March 15. During this season of comment, the GTF will continue to meet with key stakeholders as we further sharpen these revisions. We will release our “Final Version” on or about April 20, 2026, which will advance for a vote without further amendment (due in part to its length and interconnectedness) at Provincial Council, which will take place in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in June 2026.

We ask for your continued prayers for this work.

Grace and peace,

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