

Bishop-in-Council - "Bishop-in--Council" The Bishop acting by and with the advice of the Diocesan Council.

Canon – “Canon” Any Enactment of Synod.

Chancellor – “Chancellor” The Chancellor of the Diocese for the time being appointed by the Bishop by instrument under his hand and seal.

Chairman of Committees – “Chairman of Committees” The Chairman appointed by the Synod to be Chairman of Committees of the Synod.

Church – “Church” (when not applicable to a building) The Church known as and forming the Branch of the Church of England in the Diocese of North Queensland. Where applied to a building a building licensed consecrated or set apart for the worship of God according to the rites and ceremonies of the Church of England.

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Member of the Clergy or Clergyman or Clergyperson means - Members of the Church in
(a) a person ordained into Holy Orders as Bishop, priest or deacon according to the rites and ceremonies of this Church; or

(b) a person ordained into Holy Orders according to the rites and ceremonies of another Church whose Holy Orders have been recognised by a Bishop of this Church by the granting of a licence by the Bishop to the person; and

whose Holy Orders have not been lawfully relinquished or who has not been deposed from the Holy Orders in accordance with the Constitutions and Canons of this Church; and “person in Holy Orders” has a like meaning;”

Constitution – “Constitution” The Articles of Agreement entered into by the Bishop Clergy and Laity of the Church of England in the Diocese of North Queensland in the Colony of Queensland on the 13th day of June, 1883 and any Canon passed by Synod further amending or altering the provisions of the said Articles of Agreement.

Corporation – “Corporation” The body corporate incorporated. under the name and style of The Corporation of the Diocesan Synod of North Queensland by Letters Patent dated 11th September, 1883 issued under the provision of the Religious Educational and Charitable Institutions Act of 1861.

Delegate – “Delegate” and “Lay Representative” A Synodsmen or any Lay representative elected by Synod to act on any Board or Committee.

Diocesan Council – “Diocesan Council” The Council appointed to assist the Bishop in the conduct of the business of Synod when Synod is not in Session.

Diocese of North Queensland - “Diocese of North Queensland” and “Diocese” So much of Queensland as is situated to the North of the twenty-second parallel of South Latitude until the same shall be reduced by the creation of new Dioceses and thereafter shall mean the area to which the Diocese shall from time to time be limited by the creation of such new Dioceses.

Amended 1960

District – “District” Parish Parochial or Brotherhood District.

Licensed Clergy – “Licensed Clergy” and “Licensed Clergyman” respectively Persons in Holy Orders holding the Bishop’s Licence to any special charge or cure or to the performance of any spiritual duty or service within the Diocese.

Office Bearer - “Office Bearer” A person who has assented to the Authority of Synod and has accepted any office charge or trust under its authority.

Amended 1960

Parishioner – “Parishioner” Any person whose name appears in the roll book of the parish parochial or Brotherhood district in which he resides or in respect of the Church of which he is an accustomed member.

President – “President” The Bishop the Commissary appointed by him the Senior Archdeacon or other person for the time being presiding at any meeting of Synod under the provisions of the

Constitution or of any Canon.

Property – “Property” All property real or personal including money and securities for money.

Inserted 1989

Region - “Region” A defined part of the Diocese constituted by the Bishop as a Region and notified by the Bishop to the Diocesan Council.”

Inserted 1989

Regional Bishop - “Regional Bishop” An Assistant Bishop appointed and licensed by the Bishop to the episcopal care and oversight of a Region.”

Registrar - “Registrar” The Registrar for the Diocese of North Queensland for the time being.

Repeal - “Repeal” The revocation abrogation rescission or alteration of enactment of Synod and of any and every contract or agreement contained in such enactment or constituted thereby.

Synod - “Synod” The governing body of the Branch of the Church of England in the Diocese of North Queensland.

Synodsmen - “Synodsmen” A layman duly elected as a representative in Synod.

Treasurer – “Treasurer” The Treasurer of Synod for the time being.

8. **Interpretation of other Terms and Canons.** In the Constitution in this and in all Canons hereafter passed and in all forms and schedules therein contained or referred to or thereto annexed words importing the masculine gender shall be deemed and taken to include the feminine and the singular to include the plural and the plural the singular unless the contrary as to gender and number is expressly provided.
9. **When Power is discretionary and when not** Wherever in the Constitution or in any Canon a power is conferred upon any person by the word “may” or by the words “shall be lawful” applied to the exercise of that power such words shall be taken to import that the power may be exercised or not at discretion and where the word “shall” is applied to the exercise of any such power the construction shall be that the power conferred must be exercised.
10. **Short Title.** The Short Title of this Canon shall be “The Canon Interpretation Canon 1896-1989.”