Powers of Attorney under the Powers of Attorney Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.20 and Powers of Attorney under the Substitute Decisions Act, 1992, S.O. 1992, c. 30

From time to time, clerics or others associated with or employed by churches of the diocese may be asked by non-family members to agree to be appointed as attorneys under the above legislation. These statutes permit personal care decisions to be made by the appointee when the grantor is mentally incapable of giving or refusing consent to medical treatment, and also management by the appointee of the assets of the grantor.

After careful consideration, the College of Bishops has decided that it is inappropriate for clerics and others associated with or employed by the churches of this diocese to agree to become such appointees for persons other than members of their own families.

