

Form C1 - Sample

Required Statement of Facts and Confession of Guilt for a BCO 38-1 Case without Process

I _____[insert name] agree that the following statement of facts is accurate:

[List accurately and concisely the actions, statements, or attitudes to which the person is making a confession of guilt. Cite circumstances, events, and dates as may be relevant and appropriate. Cite scriptural references or quotations that are applicable. Cite sections of the *Westminster Standards* or the *Book of Church Order* that are applicable. *The Westminster Larger Catechism* is particularly helpful in this regard in its exposition of the Ten Commandments, WLC 91-151].

I confess that I am guilty of the sins of [list].

I confess that I am guilty of violating the PCA constitution [cite sections] by [cite offenses committed].

I affirm that I intend to make a confession of guilt as specified above.

In grant my permission for the [Session of _____or Presbytery of _____], to whose oversight I am subject, to use the statement of facts to which I have agreed and the confession of guilt which I have made to render a judgment and impose whatever censure or censures the church court considers to be appropriate in my case.

I realize that, though I may not appeal to a higher church court regarding my confession of guilt which I am making (*Book of Church Order* 42-2) because I have not submitted to a regular trial, I do, nevertheless, retain the right to file a complaint regarding the judgment (censure or censures) that this church court may impose (*Book of Church Order* 38-1).

Signed: _____
Date: _____

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Form C2 - Sample

Permission Form for a Voluntary Statement in Addition to the Required Statement of Facts and Confession of Guilt for a BCO 38-1 Case without Process

I _____ hereby indicate my desire to make a statement to the _____ [Session of or Presbytery of] to whose oversight I am subject, for its consideration in determining the censure or censures in my case without process (*Book of Church Order* 38-1). The statement I wish to make is in addition to the statement of facts which I have approved and confession of guilt which I have made in my case without process presently being considered.

Moreover, I give my consent to the church court to which I am subject to use the statements I make in the presence of the court as a basis of judgment without process.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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