

Listing of the Approved Advocates for the Archdiocese of San Francisco

Advocate – an advocate is described as a person who safeguards the rights of a party in a canonical process.

Procurator – a procurator is one who by legitimate mandate performs legitimate business for a petitioner or a respondent.

Advocates/procurators are *volunteers* who assist in the ministry of the Tribunal. In exercising the right to vindicate one's rights within the Church in accord with canon 221 of the *Code of Canon Law* (CIC) and canon 24 of the *Code of Canons for the Eastern Churches* (CCEO), it is often necessary to use the services of canonical advocates. Thus, those involved in canonical disputes have a right to the services of advocates.

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