`NEWS RELEASE

Today, March 4, 2010, the Session of Caledonia Presbyterian Church and five individual Ministers and elder commissioners in John Knox Presbytery, filed a remedial complaint with the Church courts to correct the recent action of John Knox Presbytery in voting to approve for ordination as a minister, a person who fails to meet the ordination requirements of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA). The action by the Presbytery violates the express provisions of the *Book of Order*, breaks faith within the Presbyterian fellowship and creates constitutional chaos within the Church.

In its complaint, which was approved unanimously by Caledonia's Session, or governing board, the complainants alleged that the ordination candidate, Scott Anderson, admitted that he was engaged in a sexual relationship outside the bounds of marriage from which he had not repented. The complainants further assert that such persons are barred from ordination by the Constitution. This is a serious breach of the standards for ordination set by the whole Church. It damages, and if not corrected by the Church courts, will continue to damage, the peace, unity and purity of the PC(USA).

Complainants are asking that the ordination of Mr. Anderson be put on hold during the case, and that his approval for ordination be reversed. They urge other Presbyteries, and other members and Sessions of John Knox Presbytery, to join them in seeking redress.

In addition to Caledonia Presbyterian Church of Portage, Wisconsin, individual presbyter members Paula Bremer, Alan Crandall, Jerry Indermark, James Gunn, and James Scaife have joined in the complaint. The Complainants are represented by Mauck & Baker, LLC of Chicago, Illinois. Questions may be directed to Whitman Brisky of that firm (312-726-0930).