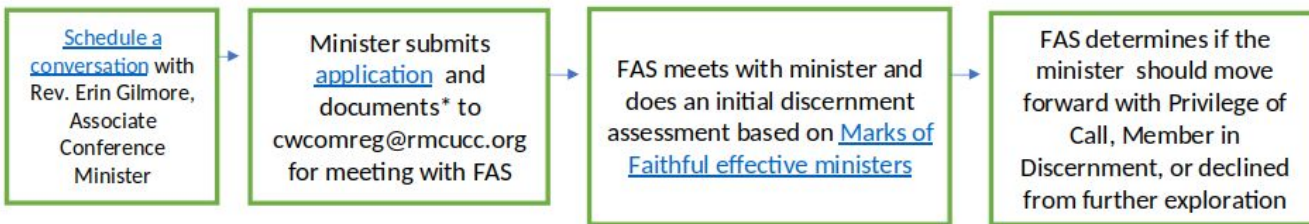




Privilege of Call Process for Authorized Ministry

Formation and Authorization Subcommittee (FAS) Rocky Mountain Conference, UCC

A person ordained in another denomination seeks to become a UCC pastor



*POC Documents

- 500-750 word statement on sense of call, faith journey, and self-assessment based on the [Marks of Faithful and Effective Ministers](#)
- letter of good standing from the ordained ministers current denomination
- completion of UCC History, Polity, and Theology course
- Criminal background check
- documentation of education and professional training

Use this time to complete your draft Profile, and fulfill your Health Ministry Relationships (Boundaries) training and Anti-Racism training

If FAS affirms continued discernment for potential Privilege of Call, the minister is granted the ecclesial status of "Seeking privilege of Call" and FAS outlines further steps for discernment, including any further required documentation, such as a psychological assessment, criminal background and completion of UCC history, polity and theology course, or additional preparation specific to ordained ministry in UCC.

Minister can now circulate profile, and status is renewed annually until pastor receives call. When call is received, FAS grants Ordained Ministerial standing in the UCC and person relinquishes their standing in originating denomination.

An affirmative vote by EC grants Privilege of Call to ordained minister.

Candidate is ready to schedule an [Ecclesiastical Council](#) (EC) in conjunction with local Association and Conference Reps

At completion of further steps and discernment, FAS recommends Ecclesiastical Council for final decision

