



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS
NOMINATION FORM (2019)

Date: 10/31/19 For the position of DISCIPLINARY BOARD (CLERGY, WORCESTER)

I / we wish to place in nomination the name of JESSE W. ABELL
(Name in full, as he or she signs it)

ST. STEPHEN'S, WESTBORO
(Congregation of Nominee)

She / He has given consent to this Nomination and, if elected, will serve in accord with the terms and responsibilities assigned to that particular office. Also, the three undersigned delegates or delegates-elect of the Diocesan Convention have consented to this nomination. At least two of the undersigned must represent Congregations other than that of which the nominee is a member.

(Signed) [Signature] (Parish) Interim - St Mark's Leominster
 (Signed) [Signature] (Parish) St Stephens
 (Signed) [Signature] (Parish) St. Michael's - on the Heights

FOR THE PERSON NOMINATED: Please submit your answers to the following questions. Please type or write legibly in black ink, and keep your answers brief.

1. List any elected or appointed positions or ministries held at the parish, diocesan, provincial and/or national church level.
2. Provide a 40-50 word Statement on why you seek to serve in the office for which you are being nominated.
3. Provide a 40-50 word Statement on issues that you believe are important in the life of the diocese and the church.
4. OPTION: Provide a short 2-3 minute YouTube video that covers the above questions.

Return this nomination form by August 30, 2019 to:
 The Secretary of Convention
 The Episcopal Diocese of Western Mass.
 37 Chestnut Street
 Springfield, MA 01103

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The Rev. Jesse W. Abell

1. Elected and appointed positions held at the parish/diocesan/provincial/national church level:

Rector, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
Clergy Member, Diocesan Disciplinary Board
Clergy Member, Diocesan Council
Clergy Member, Diocesan Board of Examining Chaplains
Former Co-Convener, Diocesan Liturgy Commission
Local Safe Church trainer

2. Statement on why you seek to serve in the office for which you are being nominated:

I have been actively involved in the ministry of the diocese for eight years. In 2016 I attended the Province I training on Title IV processes, led by Mally Lloyd and Robin Hammeal-Urban. In the past I have accompanied respondents through the Title IV process as their advisor.

2. Statement on issues that important in the life of the diocese and the church:

The Church needs to be open and responsive to the Spirit's call for change and transformation as we discover what it means to be the Body of Christ in a society in which Christianity no longer occupies a place of privilege. And, we need to be good stewards of the gifts and resources that the Diocese has received so that we can make the most of what he have received.