



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS
NOMINATION FORM (2020)

Date: _____ For the position of _____

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

(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) _____ (Parish) _____

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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.

PLEASE NOTE:

- All candidates must submit a completed nomination form even if they are standing for reelection.
- 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; they can be any combination of clergy or lay.
- Duplication of this form is permitted.
- Due to COVID-19 we have adapted our process. Signatures may take the form of an email from the signer to the Secretary of Convention confirming nomination.

Return this nomination form, via email ONLY, by August 30, 2020 to: The Secretary of Convention, Wende Wheeler at wende.wheeler@gmail.com

Kevin Thomas

Nomination for The Chapter of Christ Church Cathedral

1. **List any elected or appointed positions or ministries held at the parish, diocesan, provincial and/or national church level.**

I am on the vestry of St. John's in Williamstown, Massachusetts

2. **Provide a 40-50 word Statement on why you seek to serve in the office for which you are being nominated.**

My work focuses on helping people to collaborate together, and I simply wish to put my talents in service of the church. I would welcome the opportunity to learn more about the larger diocesan organization and to meet other Christians from across the diocese as we try to provide guidance for the Cathedral and its ministries.

3. **Provide a 40-50 word Statement on issues that you believe are important in the life of the diocese and the church.**

As Bob Dylan said in his song "Ring Them Bells", "the mountains are full of lost sheep." I'm concerned about the way people generally are thirsty for a stronger sense of meaning, purpose, and community in their lives. It's important to me that the ministries of our church are attuned to these needs and attract them to what a Christian community can offer.