



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS  
NOMINATION FORM (2022)

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 / They 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.

(Print) \_\_\_\_\_ (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_ (Parish) \_\_\_\_\_

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**NOTE: Signatures may be submitted via this form, or may take the form of an email to the Secretary of Convention indicating the endorser's support.**

**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 delegates or delegates-elect of the Diocesan Convention listed above 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. \_

**Return this nomination form, via email ONLY, by August 30, 2022 to: The Secretary of Convention, Wende Wheeler at wende.wheeler@gmail.com**

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

Parish: Chair of the Mission Team, liaison to the parish from the Community Labyrinth Coalition, Site Leader of Second Helpings (feeding ministry), usher, lector.

Diocese: Delegate to diocesan convention

Province: Deputy to Provincial Synod from Dio WMa (2019 – 2022); Member at large of Provincial Executive Committee (2020 – 2022)

Wider Church: Lay Deputy to General Convention 2018 (also elected for the 2022 convention but wasn't able to attend for medical reasons); Alternate Lay Deputy to General Convention, 2015

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

It has taken me most of my first three-year term as lay deputy to Synod to fully understand the role of provinces in the Episcopal Church. In New England especially, where parishes tend to be small, the framework of the province provides an ideal structure for creative collaboration and mutual support, and I would like to continue enabling that collaboration.

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

We need to live out what it means to be followers of Christ in 2022, modeling and standing up for : racial and economic justice and equality, radical welcome, environmental responsibility, love of neighbor.