



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS
NOMINATION FORM (2022)

Date: 08.29.22 For the position of member of the disciplinary committee

I / we wish to place in nomination the name of The Rev. Valerie Bailey Fischer
(Name in full, as he or she signs it)
St. John's Episcopal Church, Williamstown, MA
(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)	<u>Nathaniel Anderson</u>	(Signed)	<u>email</u>	(Parish)	<u>St. John's Williamstown</u>
(Print)	<u>Michael Tuck</u>	(Signed)	<u>email</u>	(Parish)	<u>Trinity Church, Lenox</u>
(Print)	<u>Mary Frances Curn</u>	(Signed)	<u>email</u>	(Parish)	<u>All Saints', North Adams</u>

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.

Co-chair: Diocese of Massachusetts Congregational Development and Support: 2004 – 2006

Member: Standing Commission on Lifelong Christian Formation and Education: 2006 –2012

Board Member: Episcopal Peace Fellowship: 2009 – 2014

Member: Mission Strategy Committee, Diocese of Newark: 2011 – 2013

Board Member: Episcopal Service Corp: 2011 – 2014

Founder and Co-Convener: Northern New Jersey Good Shepherd Guild: 2011 – 2018

Member: The Episcopal Church Advisory Group on Church Planting, 2016 – 2018

Member: DWM Young Adult Ministry Network – 2020- present

Member: American Society of Church History, 2014 – present

Member: Historical Society of the Episcopal Church, 2020 - present

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

I am happy to serve the diocese in this manner. Although Title IV canon situations rarely occur, I believe being on this committee is a good way to serve the church by learning about these canons and being ready to exercise them when necessary.

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

The disciplinary committee and safe church training are part of the church's promise to be a safe place for all persons. It has been an honor to serve in this capacity by serving on a committee that encourages and maintains guidelines for safe and healthy practices.