

National Capital Presbytery Elder Commissioner to General Assembly Nomination Form

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This form has been developed following G-4.0400 Diversity and Inclusiveness, to help the Nominating Committee give full expression to the rich diversity within our presbytery.

Date September 29, 2009

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Year of Ordination: 1973	Year Church was last represented at GA by an Elder: 1979	
Previous Commissioner to GA? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If Yes, what year?	What Presbytery?

Age Range:

- 25 and under (youth)
 26-35 (young adults)
 36-64 (adult)
 65+ (older adult)

Racial Ethnic Identity:

- Asian-American (AA)
 African-American (AfrA)
 Hispanic/Latino (H/L)
 Middle Eastern (ME)
 Native American (NA)
 Caucasian (C)
 Other (O)

Gender F M

Disability? Y N Is building accessibility a concern? Y N

<p>In the past two years, how often did you attend Presbytery meetings? ** one time</p>
<p>Local Church Responsibilities (Past and Present) ** Fairfax Presbyterian Church, Fairfax, VA 1970-1990: Elected to Session twice, served on Associate Pastor Nominating Committee, served as chair of the PreSchool Committee for three years, and together with my husband started an adult education and fellowship program which continued long after we left. ** Trinity Presbyterian Church, Arlington, VA 1990-1992: served on Nominating Committee ** Lewinsville Presbyterian Church, McLean, VA 1992-present: Chair Christian Education Ministry Group for three years; served on Session for one term; served as Clerk of Session for one three year term, co-chaired Stewardship Committee for two years, chaired Personnel Committee for one year,</p>

served on Administration Committee for one year; served on design team to identify process of the Journey of Discernment; served on committee to write initial curriculum for the then-new Workshop Rotation Model of Christian Education; provided staff development for church school teachers; served on search committees for Director of Christian Education, church administrator and youth activities director; continue to participate in a Christ Care group for the past 10 years; co-chaired Pastor Nominating Committee which identified the Rev. Deborah McKinley as candidate for pastor.

Presbytery Responsibilities (Past and Present)

** Currently on Committee on the Ministry as a member of the Crisis Team

Other Governing Body Responsibilities (Past and Present)

** none

Special skills, knowledge, expertise in relevant areas and computer competency

** group process and facilitation skills; adult learning theory; education design skills; above average computer skills (MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Internet searches and email).

Community Involvement (Name no more than three)

** volunteer at Chesterbrook Residences (affordable assisted living facility sponsored by Lewinsville and Immanuel Presbyterian Churches and Temple Rodef Shalom); volunteer and support Reston Interfaith, represented Fairfax County Schools on the Steering Committee to design a Community School to provide county services to the students and families at Graham Road Elementary School in Fairfax County. Graham Road School is a school with one of the highest poverty rates in Fairfax County.

**If filling out form manually, use extra pages where necessary.

General Assembly 2010

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G-4.0403 "...Persons of all racial ethnic groups, different ages, both sexes, various disabilities, diverse geographical areas, different theological positions consistent with the Reformed tradition...shall be guaranteed full participation and access to representation..."

**To help the Nominating Committee further understand you, briefly describe your theology.

I believe in the triune God as manifested in God the Father, his son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit who I feel is active in my life. I believe in my justification by faith by the grace of God through Jesus Christ our Lord. As a Christian, I believe that I have a responsibility to ensure the Church carries out its mission as set forth by Jesus Christ in the two great commandments: Individually, we are commanded to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul and mind and love our neighbors as ourselves. The church's mission is to "feed" its members to equip them to go into the world to minister to all as stated in Matthew 25: 35-42. This gives us the responsibility to ensure equality and justice of all persons regardless of race, nationality or gender.

**Please share why you want to represent National Capital Presbytery at the General Assembly.

Throughout my professional career and church life, I have often been selected for leadership positions. Thus, I feel I have helped contribute and make a difference in both institutions. I now feel a tug to continue that leadership at the General Assembly level. With my aforementioned skills, I feel I can help to facilitate movement of the church in the direction our Lord Jesus Christ has challenged us to go.

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A commissioner to the General Assembly recognizes the importance of the following responsibilities and is willing to accept each.

- Attendance at preparatory meetings and briefings. (yes)
- Attendance and participation in the General Assembly in its entirety (yes)
- Report to and be a resource within the Presbytery following the General Assembly, and be available for two years thereafter for the purpose of interpreting and assisting in the implementation of actions taken at the General Assembly. (yes)
- Serve for two years on the NCP Bills and Overtures Committee. (yes)

- Able to use computer before and during GA. (yes)

Signature of Nominee: (Type name if submitting electronically)

Harriet J. Hopkins

Signature of Moderator or Clerk of Session: (Elders must be nominated by the Session of their church)
(Type name if submitting electronically)

Betty Douglass

Date of Session Action: 9/15/09

Please return to Nominating Committee Chair, **Betty Douglass**, ebdouglass@verizon.net or
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Please provide your picture either digitally or by hard copy

Nomination Deadline: September 30, 2009

Date Received _____