

# National Capital Presbytery Minister 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.

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Year of Ordination: 1980	Year received into NCP: 1984	Local Church: 1984
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

In the past two years, how often did you attend Presbytery meetings? ** 2 excused in past two years
Presbytery Responsibilities (Past and Present) ** Vice Moderator 2005, Moderator 2006, Chair of Council 2007, Global Mission Chair - many years!, session visits committee at least three years
Other Governing Body Responsibilities (Past and Present) ** Commissioner to Mid-Atlantic Synod 2005, Performed "Cootonpatch Gospel" at Synod meeting, preacher at Montreat Women's Conference
Special skills, knowledge, expertise in relevant areas and computer competency ** Participated in many Interfaith Dialogue groups; formed "Peace by Piece" group with Burke Presbyterian, Congregation Adat Reyim and Rumi Forum so I am sensitive to Muslim and Jewish faiths; have developed a 21 year partnership in Kibwezi , Kenya , so I have a deep understanding of international mission work.
Community Involvement (Name no more than three) ** Chair of Burke-Springfield Clergy Group, Case Study Coach for D.Min. students at Virginia

Theological Seminary, Planning Team for Fairfax 9/11 Interfaith Worship Service at George Mason University

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

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  
My theology is a theology of the incarnation; God is at work in all things, no division between sacred and the so called secular - all is God's territory. My theology says we are about servant love in the manner of Jesus with the primary symbol being the washing of feet. Lastly I would say my theology is a theology of relationship - a relationship to God through Jesus Christ is primary and a relationship to each other as the Body of Christ. and to each person as a child of God.

\*\*Please share why you want to represent National Capital Presbytery at the General Assembly  
I have ben involved in many aspects of the Presbyterian church for thirty-five years, but I have never been a commissioner to General Assembly; I would consider it an honor to be elceted to represent National Capital Presbytery where I have been a faithful member for 25 years. I would like to be a part of the decision making body of the Presbyterian Chruch (USA) just once in my career. I am able to see the big picture on issues. I am a good mediator - able to see both sides of an issue and I think theologically. I would also like to help elect Cindy Bolbach who is an excellent Presbyterian Lay woman in our Presbyterian church..

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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:

Elizabeth (Beth) P. Braxton

Please return to Nominating Committee Chair, **Betty Douglass**, [ebdouglass@verizon.net](mailto:ebdouglass@verizon.net) or  
**131 W. Columbia Street**  
**Falls Church, VA 22046**

**Please provide your picture either digitally or by hard copy**

**Nomination Deadline: September 30, 2009**

**Date Received \_\_\_\_\_**