

National Capital Presbytery (NCP) Commitment for Mutual Ministry With Entering At-Large and Honorably Retired Teaching Elders

The Committee on Ministry of National Capital Presbytery seeks to promote strong and mutual relationships with ministers who transfer into our membership with the status of At-Large or Honorably Retired. Our goal is to invite your continued expression of God's gifts for ministry, and to help establish a local setting that will provide you with nurture in faith and pastoral care.

With these goals, we ask the following commitments of those who seek membership as At-Large or Honorably Retired. Your signature below indicates your agreement.

If available, when called I will moderate a session which has a moderator vacancy.

Within six months of entering this Presbytery, I will either: (a) be in conversation with a local pastor about being a parish associate with a PC(USA) or a Formula-of-Agreement congregation, or (b) actively associate with a PC(USA) or a Formula-of-Agreement congregation. (Please see below, NCP's definition of parish associate.)

Presbytery Committees: if I am nominated to serve by Presbytery's Nominating Committee, or asked to serve on one of the NCP Committees or Task Forces, I will serve, unless I have a medical condition which prevents me from serving.

I will attend the mandatory Sexual Misconduct Prevention Training Sessions, within one year of entering NCP and every three years thereafter.

I will attend Presbytery meetings regularly (not required for HR).

I will submit an Annual Report as requested by the Stated Clerk (not required for HR).

Signature Date

Name printed

Mailing Address

Phone(s) _____

E-mail _____ If you wish to join the Pulpit Supply list, please contact Annemarie Quigley, Executive Administrator to the General Presbyter and COM: aquigley@thepresbytery.org

Parish Associate: temporary position which may or may not be paid, defined by a session with the permission of the Pastor, Stated Supply or Interim Pastor. This position requires the approval of the Committee on Ministry. In this fashion a specialized teaching elder, at-large or honorably retired teaching elder member of the Presbytery defines a relationship with a particular congregation. One year term renewable. A Parish Associate has neither voice nor vote on Session. A candidate cannot be ordained to this position. All at-large, specialized and honorably retired teaching elders are strongly encouraged to associate with a particular congregation in this fashion to benefit from the means of grace. This is the ordinary way the Presbytery provides for the pastoral care of retired, specialized and at-large teaching elders.

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