

# National Capital Presbytery

## Ruling Elder Commissioner to 2018 General Assembly

### Nomination Form

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This form has been developed following F-1.0403 Unity in Diversity, to help the Nominating Committee give full expression to the rich diversity within our presbytery.

Date: September 25, 2017		
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Year of Ordination: 2003	Year your church was last represented by a Commissioner at GA: 1995	
Previous Commissioner to GA? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If Yes, what year:	What Presbytery:

Age Range:		Racial Ethnic Identity:	
		African-American (AfrA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
26-35	<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian-American (AA)	<input type="checkbox"/>
36-64	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hispanic/Latino (H/L)	<input type="checkbox"/>
65+	<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle Eastern (ME)	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Native American (NA)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender:	<input type="checkbox"/> Female	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male	Caucasian (C)
			Other (O)
			(Please specify)

Do you consider yourself to be a person with a disability  Yes  No

Do you require special accommodations of any kind?  Yes  No If Yes, what kind.

In the past two years, how often have you attended Presbytery meetings? 4 times
Local church responsibilities: (Past and Present) Ruling Elder and Clerk of Session
Presbytery responsibilities: (Past and Present) Elder Commissioner
Other governing body responsibilities: (Present and Past)

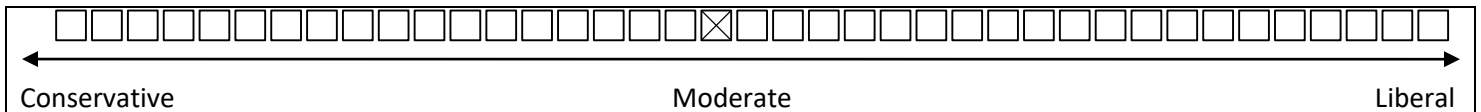
Special skills, knowledge, expertise in relevant areas and computer competency include language(s) other than English:

Community involvement: (Name no more than three): Work with the Evangelism Ministry and their community outreach events i.e. Health Fair; Back to School Events; Soup Ministry

NCP selects its delegates to represent the diversity of theological opinion present among us, as required by the General Assembly.

On the continuum below, please click the box that best represents where you place yourself.

### THEOLOGICAL SPECTRUM



Why did you place yourself on the spectrum where you did? I can be liberal on certain issues and conservative on others

Please share with the committee what you believe are the key theological/social issues currently facing the church and society, and how they shape your experience in the church:

The world is rapidly changing before our very eyes.

Let's take a look at technology. My first flat screen TV was a plasma, but LCD, LED and OLED are king now, and I'm not even sure what the acronym OLED stands for.

Then there is social media, first there was Myspace which has gone the way of the Dodo bird and now we have Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Not only is our technology rapidly changing, our cultural values are rapidly changing as well.

In my opinion, one of the key theological issues facing "ANY" church is maintaining its relevance in society. This is an old challenge that's also new. It's like the expression, "what's old is new again".

With all this technology, some in our society feel that "Faith" and/or "God", or "Faith in God" is no longer important or relevant.

Christians are called to be the salt of the earth. Scripture says "what good is salt if it loses its flavor?" The challenge of the church is not only to keep its flavor, but determining how to minister to a society that is on a "NO SALT" or "LOW SALT" diet.

I am a member of a congregation that at times has struggled with a declining membership, and has fought to remain relevant in the community where it is located. But we are a strong body of believers who are determined to Build Disciples to live Victoriously and Abundantly through FAITH, and "Not grow weary in well doing."

Please indicate why you want to represent National Capital Presbytery at the General Assembly:

It would not only be an honor and privilege to represent our Presbytery, but to participate, and experience first hand the responsibilities of the General Assembly expressed so earnestly and eloquently on GA web site.

- \* Protect our church from error in faith and practice.
- \* Assure that the expression of our theology remains true to the biblical standards in our historic confessions.
- \* Present a witness for truth and justice in our community and in the world community.
- \* Set priorities for the church and establishes relationships with other churches or ecumenical bodies.

A commissioner to 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 interpreting and assisting in the implementation of actions taken at the General Assembly.  Yes
- Serve for two years on the National Capital Presbytery's Bills and Overtures Committee after the General Assembly meeting.  Yes
- Able to use computer before and during GA.  Yes

I agree to be a nominee: Yes

Moderator or Clerk of Session: (Ruling Elders and YAADs must be nominated by the Session of their church) Rev. Bernice Parker Jones

Date of Session Action: September 28, 2017

Send the form **electronically** to Jochebed Jordan, Chair of Nominating Committee, at [jochebedjordan@comcast.net](mailto:jochebedjordan@comcast.net)

- Elders and those seeking to be YAADs will complete the form and send it electronically to their Clerk or Moderator of Session. The Clerk or Moderator shall complete the form after the Session has endorsed the nomination and send the form electronically to Jochebed Jordan as an email attachment.
- Reference forms (required for Ruling Elder and YAAD nominees, and recommended for minister nominees) are to be submitted by the person writing the recommendation and sent as an email attachment to Jochebed Jordan.
- A photograph of each nominee should be sent electronically to **Jochebed Jordan**.

- To fill out the form, put your curser in the gray area and type; click in the appropriate box for yes/no, age, racial/ethnic, etc. items.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL FORMS ARE DUE ELECTRONICALLY**

**BY SEPTEMBER 29, 2017.**