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Pre-Filed Floor Nominations for Diocesan Offices

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Commission on Ministry
General Convention Deputy

Commission on Ministry

1 Clergy Member, Full Term; 1 Lay Member, Full Term

Lay Nominee



Ms. Leigh Anne Naas

Trinity, Indianapolis

Describe the church work or community service activities you or the person nominated have participated in that prepared you for the work of the committee:

I have served on COM for the past two years, filling a position that was evacuated early in the previous person's tenure. I served on the rector search committee for Trinity, Indy, in 2016 as the vestry liaison and subsequently was chosen a jr. warden in my vestry term.

How can you or the person nominated contribute by serving: I provide a thoughtful lay viewpoint in the COM process.

General Convention Deputy

4 Clergy Deputies, 4 Lay Deputies, 4 Clergy Alternates, 4 Lay Alternates

Clergy Deputy Nominees



The Rev. Allan Wallace St. Paul's, New Albany

Describe the church work or community service activities you or the person nominated have participated in that prepared you for the work of the committee: Over the years, I have served in our diocese in several roles and parishes. I was formed in the diocese of Indianapolis and have participated in many ministries. I continue to serve as the Rector at St. Paul's in New Albany in unique and creative ways. I have been in the southern Indiana community now for over three years and have worked hard to establish and maintain strong ecumenical relationships with church and

civic leaders. I have had the wonderful opportunity to come alongside St. Paul's Jeffersonville, our neighboring parish, in creative and supportive ways that have built strong bonds between our communities that have endless potential.

On the diocesan level, I serve on the Commission on Ministry, chair the Global Missions Commission, and co-convener for the RiverBend neighborhood. I helped organize the 2025 Brasilia Pilgrimage and I am now planning a Spanish Immersion Program for June 2026. In working with clergy and lay leaders in these roles, I have been blessed to develop and grow in unique ways that have helped me to better serve Christ in word and deed.

I had the honor of serving as a deputy for the first time at the 81st General Convention in 2024 in Louisville, Kentucky. That experience opened my eyes to the inner workings of the greater Church. I believe that experience has prepared and equipped me to better serve on general convention committees and engage more efficiently at the next convention.

How can you or the person nominated contribute by serving: My contribution to serving at general convention includes authentic expression, prayer, and a good general understanding of the diocese of Indianapolis, as well as the structure of the Episcopal Church. That knowledge will help me represent the diocese with integrity. I am willing and able to do the work at General Convention, as well as the continued, important work necessary during the triennial period between conventions.

Lay Deputy Nominees



Ms. Meghan McConnell

Trinity, Indianapolis

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and especially found their work interesting and crucial to the work of being God's church in the world. It would be an honor to be able to participate more fully in this work. It should be noted that I am the kind of person who believes in demonstrating our collective identity in fun, playful ways. If an alternate or deputy I would be helpful in decorating the Diocesan stanchion and providing table decorations of Indianapolis.

How can you or the person nominated contribute by serving: I can contribute in prayerful service, serving on committees, and partaking in the work of the alternates and deputies. There seems to be an interest in more of the work for General Convention being accomplished outside of the legislative gathering, which I understand would mean more work leading up to the actual event. This seems wise and an opportunity to be a part of in-depth work within the church.

Lay Alternate Nominees



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Mr. Brendan O'Sullivan-Hale
All Saints, Indianapolis

Describe the church work or community service activities you or the person nominated have participated in that prepared you for the work of the committee: I have served as a deputy for the last four General Conventions, chairing the deputation for the last three. At those conventions, I have served on the legislative committee for Stewardship and Socially Responsible Investing (once as chair), Agencies and Boards, and Dispatch of Business.

How can you or the person nominated contribute by serving: For the 2027 convention, I feel called to serve as an alternate deputy in order to allow other talented leaders in this diocese to step into the important role of deputy, while allowing me to be present with the deputation to provide the benefit of my experience in what can be an overwhelming legislative process, as well as to serve in the equally if not more important task of providing coffee and snacks during long legislative days.