



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS NOMINATION FORM (2025)

Date: _____ For the position of _____

I / we wish to place in nomination the name of _____
(Name in full, as he or she signs it)

(Congregation of Nominee)

She / He / They has given consent to this Nomination and, if elected, will serve in accord with the terms and responsibilities assigned to that particular office. Also, the three undersigned delegates or delegates-elect of the Diocesan Convention have consented to this nomination. At least two of the undersigned must represent Congregations other than that of which the nominee is a member.

(Print)	_____	(Signed)	_____	(Parish)	_____
(Print)	_____	(Signed)	_____	(Parish)	_____
(Print)	_____	(Signed)	_____	(Parish)	_____

NOTE: Signatures may be submitted via this form, or may take the form of an email to the Secretary of Convention indicating the endorser's support.

FOR THE PERSON NOMINATED: Please submit your answers to the following questions. Please type or write legibly in black ink, and keep your answers brief.

1. List any elected or appointed positions or ministries held at the parish, diocesan, provincial and/or national church level.
2. Provide a 40-50 word Statement on why you seek to serve in the office for which you are being nominated.
3. Provide a 40-50 word Statement on issues that you believe are important in the life of the diocese and the church.
4. OPTION: Provide a short 2-3 minute YouTube video that covers the above questions.

PLEASE NOTE:

- All candidates must submit a completed nomination form even if they are standing for reelection.
- The three delegates or delegates-elect of the Diocesan Convention listed above have consented to this nomination.
- At least two of the undersigned must represent congregations other than that of which the nominee is a member; they can be any combination of clergy or lay.
- Duplication of this form is permitted. _

Return this nomination form, via email ONLY, by August 30, 2025 to: The Secretary of Convention, Wende Wheeler at wende.wheeler@gmail.com

1. List any elected or appointed positions or ministries held at the parish, diocesan, provincial and/or national church level.

I have been a deacon in our diocese for over 5 years, in that time I have served as a Clergy Deputy to General Convention, co-chaired a commission on Mental Health, and served at two parishes. I am currently the Academic Coordinator for the Province 1 School for Deacons and serve as deacon at All Saints in South Hadley.

2. Provide a 40-50 word Statement on why you seek to serve in the office for which you are being nominated.

I seek to serve as a clergy deputy to General Convention because I find the process of governance at that level invigorating and I see it as a way I can support the wider church as well as the people of our diocese.

3. Provide a 40-50 word Statement on issues that you believe are important in the life of the diocese and the church.

There are many issues that are important to the life of our diocese and the church, but the one that most interests me is the work we have begun in the area of mental health and suicide. TEC made great strides at the last GC to bring these issues to our attention and I would like the opportunity to ensure that those efforts continue.