

Call for Nominations

Convocation of Episcopal Churches In Europe
Convention 2011 – October 20-23, Florence, Italy

Deadline for submission of nomination materials for publication is 01 October

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The following positions are open for nominations for elections at the Annual Convention:

- **Treasurer** – elected for a three year term
Andrea D'Agosto is currently treasurer and eligible to be re-elected
- **Assistant Treasurer** – elected for a three year term
Denis Le Moullac is currently Assistant Treasurer and eligible for re-election
- **Council of Advice** - elected to serve for two years
Members of Council of Advice whose terms are ending have worked in the areas that include: Grants, Clergy well-being, Finance, Mission Congregations and Stewardship
 - Two clergy** (Presbyters) Current terms for Val Littman and Carola von Wrangel are ending .
Carola von Wrangel is eligible for re-election
 - Two Lay** Current terms for Tiffany Israel and Betsy Blackwell are ending

Candidates may be nominated by a colleague (with the nominee's consent) or may nominate themselves. Please use the following format when presenting your nomination. (Due 01 October)

Please submit your nomination on line with a brief bio-sketch that includes:

- **Your name**
- **Current parish/mission**, your work with this parish or mission (current and/or relevant to this position)
- **Current experience with the Convocation**, including relevant past experience
- **Other work experience current and/or relevant to this position**
- **Why you feel called to serve:**
Special gifts you may bring or role you may play on the Council
Any other information that may be relevant to your candidacy

Limit to 200 words (about 2 paragraphs)

Include a photograph

- approximate size = 2½ inches x 2½ inches (6.35 cm x 6.35 cm)
- format jpg received on line, please.

Although the Nominations Committee reserves the right to edit the biographies for consistency and space, we ask each candidate to carefully proof, grammar and spell check their biography.

To befit your reflection and prayer regarding these positions, descriptions taken from our Constitutions and Canons pertaining to these positions are listed below.

Full Constitutions and Canons are available on the Convocation website <http://www.tec-europe.org/FormsNDocs.htm>

Regarding Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer

CANON 10. OF THE CONVOCAION FUND

SECTION 1. The Convocation Fund shall be established for the purposes of the Convocation, and for the program and budget of the National Church.

SECTION 2. This fund shall be in the custody of a Treasurer to be elected by the Convention, to serve for three years and until his/her successor is elected and qualified. An Assistant Treasurer shall also be elected at the same time to serve for three years, who shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall report in writing to the Annual Meeting of the Convocation the receipts and expenditures of the Fund.

SECTION 3. The Convocation Fund shall be administered by the Bishop and Council of Advice, and the Bishop and Council of Advice shall propose to the Convention a budget for adoption. To assist the Bishop and Council of Advice in carrying out these responsibilities, there shall be a Finance Committee whose members shall include but not be limited to the Bishop, the Treasurer, and at least one member of the Council of Advice to be appointed by the Council.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of each Congregation to contribute within each calendar year to the Convocation Fund. The amount to be contributed by each Congregation shall be established by resolution of the Convention, and shall be based upon the average of that Congregation's Net Disposable Income as reported in the Parochial Report for the three previous years.

SECTION 5. The Convocation Fund shall be audited annually by an independent Certified Public Accountant (Title I, Canon 7, Section 1 of the General Canons).

Regarding Council of Advice:

Constitution: ARTICLE VII. OF THE COUNCIL OF ADVICE

The Council of Advice, elected in accordance with Title I, Canon 15, Section 9, of the General Canons, shall consist of four Presbyters canonically resident in the Convocation, and four Laity, resident in the Convocation. Initially, two Presbyters and two Laity shall be elected to serve for one year, and two members in each Order shall be elected to serve for two years. Thereafter, two members in each Order shall be elected at each Annual Convention to serve for two years. Any member who may have been elected for two consecutive terms shall be ineligible for reelection at the Annual Convention at which that term expires. The Council shall have authority to fill vacancies in its own membership. Members shall serve until their successors are elected and accept election.

ARTICLE IX. OF THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1. All elections shall be by ballot and shall be determined by a majority vote of the members present and voting, except when a vote by Orders shall be duly called for, in accordance with Article VIII.

SECTION 2. Members of the Council of Advice,....., shall be elected by ballot and by Orders.

SECTION 3. All officers shall hold office until their successors are elected and accept election.

CANON 3. OF THE COUNCIL OF ADVICE

SECTION 1. The Council of Advice shall function as a Standing Committee in all respects as permitted by the Canons of The Episcopal Church.

SECTION 2. The Council of Advice at its first meeting and annually thereafter shall choose a President and a Secretary from among the members, both officers to serve until their successors are elected and accept election. The Secretary shall record its proceedings in a book provided for the purpose, which book and all papers in its possession relative to the Convocation, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention; and a full report of its acts shall be made at each Annual Meeting of the Convention. Five members of the Council shall be a quorum, subject to any specific provisions stated by the General Canons of The Episcopal Church.

SECTION 3. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Council of Advice shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Convocation in all cases except such as are otherwise provided for by the General or Convocational Canons.

SECTION 4. The Council of Advice shall have authority to fill all vacancies that may occur during the recess of the Convention, in offices held by election, such appointments to remain in force until the next Annual Convention. Vacancies occurring in offices held by appointment shall be filled by the appointing officer.

SECTION 5. The Council of Advice will be elected at the Annual Convention of the Convocation of the American Churches in Europe. It shall consist of four clerical members and four lay members. The four lay persons shall be communicants in good standing of the European Congregations whose certificates have been received and accepted by the Registrar of The Episcopal Church, USA. The four clergy will be canonically resident in the Convocation.

SECTION 6. The Council of Advice shall have authority to make Rules of Order for the conduct of its own business.

SECTION 7. The Bishop and the Council of Advice shall establish a Committee on Mission Congregations for the purpose of support and oversight of current and future missions. The Committee shall be composed of both clergy and lay members, at least one of whom shall be a member of the Council of Advice. The Committee shall report regularly to the Council of Advice.

SECTION 8. The Council of Advice shall conform to the provisions of General Canon Title I, Canon 12.