

## **FROM THE CONSTITUTION**

### **ARTICLE III - Composition of Convention**

#### *From Section 3:*

All Lay Delegates must be confirmed adult communicants in good standing of this Church, at least sixteen years of age, and canonically resident in this Diocese and are to be chosen from the members of the Parish by the Wardens and Vestry thereof, or by the Congregation thereof

## **FROM THE CANONS**

### **CANON 2 - Attendance of the Clergy and Lay Delegates.**

#### *Section 1:*

It is declared to be the duty of every Cleric and Layperson entitled to a seat in the Convention to attend every meeting thereof. The expense of such Clergy attending the Diocesan Convention shall be paid by their respective Congregations.

#### *Section 2:*

At the opening of the Convention the Secretary shall present to the Ecclesiastical Authority a list of those Clergy who are registered as attending the Convention from a list of the Clergy entitled to seats therein prepared by the Ecclesiastical Authority.

#### *Section 3:*

No Cleric shall take his or her seat until all Canonical Reports required of said Cleric shall have been made, unless sufficient reasons are given for the failure to provide such documents.

### **CANON 3 - Election of Delegates**

#### *Section 1:*

Lay Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to each Diocesan Convention shall be elected from each Congregation of the Diocese in accordance with Article III of the Constitution. *Elections must take place no less than 30 days prior to the annually scheduled Diocesan Convention [emphasis added]* so as to allow Delegates and attending Alternates to register in a timely manner.

#### *Section 2:*

Each duly elected Delegate and Alternate must agree to represent his or her congregation at the next annually scheduled Diocesan Convention and any special called meetings of the same until the succeeding annual Convention.

#### *Section 3:*

Each Congregation must record and keep on file the names of the duly elected Delegate(s) and Alternate(s). Said record shall include the date of their election, and whether elected by the Vestry or the Congregation.

#### *Section 4:*

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Convention to convey to Congregations in a timely manner the means by which all persons desiring to attend Convention may register.