

## EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FLORIDA

# Petition Process

(to be completed by the nominators)

Instructions:

- There should be one lead nominator, lay or ordained, who should complete and sign the nomination petition cover page including the list of who will be submitting supporting signatures.
- The nomination should include at least two letters of recommendation from signatories, including one from a member of the clergy, and one from a layperson, describing the Christian faith, character, leadership, skills, and pastoral heart of the nominee.
- All petition signers must fill out a petition signature page; these must be collected by the lead nominator and submitted electronically as one complete packet.
- It is the responsibility of the lead nominator to verify that all signature requirements are met and all pieces of the nomination petition are complete and accurate prior to submission. Once the Petition has been submitted, no more signatures will be accepted.

Petitions for nomination must be signed by a minimum of:

- 1 Canonically Resident Clergy (of any order) from each of the 5 regions of the Diocese of Florida, plus 2 more Clergy at-large, who may not be of the same parish. All signing Clergy must be eligible to vote in the Special Electing Convention on May 14, 2022.
- 1 active lay communicant from each of the 5 regions of the Diocese of Florida, plus 5 more lay communicants at-large; at-large lay signatories must represent at least 3 separate congregations or missions from one another. All lay signatories must be active members in good standing in parishes within the Diocese of Florida.

Petition Signatories must represent:

- A minimum of 9 different congregations or missions within the Diocese of Florida
- One Clergy and One layperson from each of the 5 Regions of the Diocese
- No person may sign more than one petition
- Only one household member may sign any one petition
- No member of the Nominating, Transition, or Standing Committees may sign a petition

A complete Nomination Petition will include:

- One Nomination Petition Cover Page signed by the lead nominator.
- At least two letters of recommendation, from one Clergy and one Layperson,
- All signature pages from signatories – minimum 17.

No nominations may be submitted prior to the announcement of the slate.

The complete nomination petition must be scanned and submitted electronically to [standingcommittee@diocesefl.org](mailto:standingcommittee@diocesefl.org) by **midnight on March 17, 2022**.

Separately, and **also by the deadline**, Petition Candidates must complete the application