



196th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kentucky

Credentials of Lay Deputies

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at a meeting of the Vestry (or Chapter or Bishop's Committee) of

_____ *(name of church)*

held on the _____ day of _____ the following adult member communicants in good
(day) *(month)*
standing of said Congregation were elected as

Lay Deputies

1. Name _____
Address _____

Email _____
Phone _____
2. Name _____
Address _____

Email _____
Phone _____
3. Name _____
Address _____

Email _____
Phone _____
4. Name _____
Address _____

Email _____
Phone _____
5. Name _____
Address _____

Email _____
Phone _____

Alternates

1. Name _____
Address _____

Email _____
Phone _____
2. Name _____
Address _____

Email _____
Phone _____
3. Name _____
Address _____

Email _____
Phone _____
4. Name _____
Address _____

Email _____
Phone _____
5. Name _____
Address _____

Email _____
Phone _____

Youth Representative

1. Name _____
Address _____
Email _____
Phone _____

... to represent said Congregation in the Convention of the Diocese of Kentucky, called to meet on the 11th day of November, 2023, and shall serve during the calendar year for which they are elected and thereafter until successors are duly elected and qualified, providing that if one elected as Deputy or Alternate shall transfer from the electing Congregation prior to another election, the Chapter, Vestry, or Bishop's Committee may designate a replacement.

(signature of Secretary or Clerk)

(date signed)

CANON 4 OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF KENTUCKY THE CONVENTION, ITS MEMBERS, MEETINGS, AND ORGANIZATION

Sec. 3 Except as provided in Section 7, a lay deputy to the Convention shall be an adult member communicant in good standing. Individuals 16 years of age and over are to be considered adult members. Adult member communicants in good standing shall be defined and determined in accordance with the national Canons and Diocesan Canon 21, Sec. 2.

The Vestry of any parish, and the Bishop's Committee of any Organized Mission, shall elect qualified lay deputies and alternates to the Convention. The number of lay deputies and alternates shall be determined by the number of adult member communicants in good standing in the parish or mission as of December 31 of the year preceding the date of the Convention meeting in annual or special session.

The number shall be determined as follows:

ADULT MEMBER COMMUNICANTS IN GOOD STANDING		
	DEPUTIES	ALTERNATES
10-100	1	1
101-250	2	2
251-500	3	3
501-750	4	4
751 OR MORE	5	5

No parish or mission shall have more than five (5) lay deputies and five (5) alternates. Beginning with election for the Convention of 1994, the lay deputies and alternates shall serve during the calendar year for which they are elected and thereafter until successors are elected and qualified, provided that if one elected as deputy or alternate shall transfer from the electing congregation prior to another election, the Chapter, Vestry, or Bishop's Committee may designate a replacement. Each lay deputy shall have the right to vote.

Sec. 6 Thirty (30) days prior to the meeting of the Convention in annual or special session, the secretaries of the Cathedral Chapter, of Parish Vestries, and of the Bishop's Committees of Missions and Ecclesial Communities of the Diocese shall file a certificate with the Secretary of the Diocese which sets forth the names of the persons elected as Lay Deputies, Alternates, and Youth Representatives, using the following form...

Sec. 7 In addition to electing lay members under Section 3, the Chapter, Vestry, or Bishop's Committee of each congregation may, at its option, elect from its congregation a communicant in good standing as a Youth Representative to the Convention. The Youth Representative shall be not less than fourteen (14) nor more than eighteen (18) years of age at the time of election, and shall be certified on the Section 6 certificate. Except as provided in the next sentence, each Youth Representative shall have a seat and voice but no vote. The Youth Representatives will elect by and from among their number five (5) Lay Deputies to the Convention. The names of these Lay Deputies will be reported to the Secretary not later than the beginning of the first business session. These Lay Deputies must represent geographic areas as defined by the Department of Youth and Young Adults.