



Canon 3 – Selection of Delegates

Section 3.04. SELECTION OF DELEGATES

Lay delegates and alternates shall be chosen at a preceding annual meeting of the Parish or Mission in accordance with the Parish or new congregation By-Laws, unless there be a vacancy, in which case it shall be filled as prescribed by such By-Laws. At least one lay member of a Parish's delegation shall where possible be a member of the Vestry.

Youth Delegates at any Convention shall be selected as follows:

- (a) One youth delegate and one alternate from each of the five Deaneries shall be selected by each Deanery, at its first meeting following the preceding Diocesan Convention. The Deanery shall have the authority to fill any vacancies that occur in these two positions.
- (b) Five at-large Youth Delegates and five at-large alternates shall be appointed by the Bishop Diocesan with advice from relevant Diocesan committees. The Bishop Diocesan shall have the authority to fill any vacancies that may occur in these positions.

Notice of an annual Convention shall be accompanied by a copy of the provisions of the Constitution and Canons relating to the election of lay delegates and alternates. A form of certificate of election of lay delegates and alternates shall be made available electronically, which is to be completed and signed (actually or electronically) by the Rector or warden and by the secretary of the Vestry or the secretary of the annual meeting at which they were elected, and transmitted to the Diocesan Secretary in accordance with the instructions therefor.

Notice of a special convention shall specify the purpose or purposes thereof.

Each parish or new congregation shall be entitled to representation by lay delegation at Diocesan Convention. Representation at Diocesan Convention by lay delegates shall be based upon the average Sunday attendance as reported in the annual parochial report filed in the current year. The number of delegates shall be determined by the following table:

Average Sunday Attendance	Authorized number of delegates
1-100	2 delegates
101-150	3 delegates
151+	4 delegates