

General Convention of The Episcopal Church 2022 Archives' Research Report

Resolution No.: 2022-D056
Title: Amend Canon III.11.9.a to Correct Cross-reference
Proposer: Canon Paul Ambos
Topic: Bishop, Canons

Directly Related: (Attached)

None

Indirectly Related: (Available in the [Acts of Convention](#) database, searchable by resolution number)

None

In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions in the Acts of Convention database for the period 1973 through 2018, selecting “direct” resolutions that have a substantive bearing on the proposed legislation. The “direct” resolutions are attached and “indirect” resolutions are available in the Acts of Convention database. Committee members who require other research assistance should contact the Archives through the [Research Request Form](#) or call 800-525-9329.

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Final Status: Not Yet Finalized

Proposed by: Canon Paul Ambos

Endorsed by: Canon Barbara Okamoto Bach, The Rev. Gail Bennett

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, the House of _____ concurring,

That Canon III.11.9.a.4 be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

4. When a Diocese desires the ordination of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee shall forward to the Presiding Bishop, in addition to the evidence and testimonials required by Canon III.11.3.a, a certificate of the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Convention that every requirement of this Section has been complied with.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

4. When a Diocese desires the ordination of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee shall forward to the Presiding Bishop, in addition to the evidence and testimonials required by Canon ~~III.10~~ *III.11.3.a*, a certificate of the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Convention that every requirement of this Section has been complied with.

Explanation

Canon III.11.9.a governs the procedure for a Diocese to elect a Bishop Coadjutor. When a Diocese elects a Bishop Diocesan, Canon III.11.3.a specifies the documents (evidence of prior ordinations, medical and psychological certificates, and the testimonials regarding the election signed by the members of the electing diocesan convention) that the Standing Committee is required to transmit to the Presiding Bishop in order to begin the consent process.

Canon III.10 deals with the Reception of Clergy from other Churches and has nothing to do with Episcopal Church elections of Bishops. The reference to III.10 is a typographical error, probably caused by canonical renumbering, that needs to be corrected.

