

**GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2018  
ARCHIVES' RESEARCH REPORT**

**RESOLUTION NO.:** 2018-A004  
**TITLE:** Amend Joint Rule VII.18  
**PROPOSER:** Joint Standing Committee on Nominations  
**TOPIC:** Canons

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**Directly Related:** (Attached)

2012-A002 Amend Joint Rules of Order VII.18 [Joint Standing Committee on Nominations]

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

None

**Supplemental Documents:** (Linked)

(*Blue Book*) Report to General Convention, [Joint Standing Committee on Nominations](#), see page 469.

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# A004 Amend Joint Rule VII.18

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**Proposer** Joint Standing Committee on Nominations

**Topic** Canons

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## RESOLUTION TEXT

- 1 *Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring, That Rule VII.18 on the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations be amended as follows:
  
- 2 18. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations shall be composed of three (3) Bishops, three (3) Presbyters or Deacons, and six (6) Lay Persons. Members who are Presbyters, Deacons, or Lay Persons shall *be have served as* deputies to the most recent General Convention and will continue to serve *if elected as either a deputy or alternate to until* the next General Convention.

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## EXPLANATION

This would modify the procedure requiring resignations by Committee members when they cease to be deputies or alternates. It is disruptive to the orderly deliberations of the Committee to have its members subject to removal at various times during the triennium. While it makes sense that those who nominate candidates for elections in the House of Deputies themselves be members of the House, it also makes sense to trust the wisdom of those who appoint membership to the Committee to appoint people whose judgment and experience should be respected for a full triennium.



**Resolution Number:** 2012-A002  
**Title:** Amend Joint Rules of Order VII.18 [Joint Standing Committee on Nominations]  
**Legislative Action Taken:** Concurred  
**Final Text:**

*Resolved, That Joint Rule VII.18 on the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations be amended as follows:*

**18. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations shall be composed of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and six Lay Persons. Members who are Presbyters or Lay Persons shall be deputies to the most recent General Convention and will continue to serve if elected as either a deputy or alternate to the next General Convention.**

**Citation:** General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Indianapolis, 2012* (New York: General Convention, 2012), p. 167.