

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

RESOLUTION NO.: 2018-D033
TITLE: Amend Canons IV.2 and IV.6 - Churchwide Intake Officer
PROPOSER: The Rev. Dr. Molly James
TOPIC: 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 1976 through 2015, 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 at 800-525-9329 before Convention or at Convention in the General Convention Secretariat.

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RESOLUTION TEXT

- 1 *Resolved*, the House of _____ concurring, That the 79th General Convention amend Title IV, Canon 2 to add the definition of “Churchwide Intake Officer” as follows:
- 2 Churchwide Intake Officer. One or more Intake Officer(s) appointed by the President of the House of Deputies and confirmed by lay and clergy members of Executive Council to serve as churchwide Intake Officers as set forth in Title IV, Canon 6.11.
- 3 And be it further resolved:
- 4 That Title IV be amended to add new Title IV, Canon 6.11 to read as follows:
- 5 11. If any Complainant or Injured Person has a concern that there may be a conflict of interest, or other factor which might reasonably impair the fair and objective consideration of their claim, between the Intake Officer in the diocese where the claim would be filed (or all dioceses where the claim could be properly brought) and the Bishop of that diocese and/or the President of the Disciplinary Board, the Complainant or Injured Person may bring the matter to the Churchwide Intake Officer described in Title IV, Canon 2, for the remainder of that case. The expenses of that Intake Officer will be borne by the diocese in which the claim is being brought.

EXPLANATION

This change provides for circumstances in which there may be a conflict of interest or other factors which could impact the fairness of the process in a single diocese.