Provincial Synod of Canada

Position Description

Position: Member of Provincial Court

Eligibility: Clergy and Lay members of dioceses

Nominated by: Diocesan Bishops

Each bishop submits the names of two clergy and two laity to the Provincial Council at its first meeting, immediately following the Provincial Synod. These are then eligible for appointment to the Provincial Court when convened. Court nominees need not be members of the Provincial Synod.

In addition to a commitment to the life and work of the Province and Provincial Synod, desirable qualities for Court members include knowledge of the Constitution and Canons of the Provincial Synod, and of the General Synod, and particularly familiarity with the Doctrine and Discipline of the Anglican Church of Canada, and with definitions of disciplinary offenses. Court members should be discreet, fair-minded and non-judgmental and possess analytical, reasoning and listening skills. They should be capable of maintaining confidentiality, and of rendering an impartial decision in collaboration with others.