

General Assembly Commissioner from HRP

(Approved by HRP Council: 8-2-17)

Purpose: To serve as a Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) General Assembly commissioner for the Presbytery of Hudson River (HRP).

Accountability: Nominated by HRP's Committee on Representation and Nominations, elected by HRP and accountable to HRP through its Council.

Relationships: Working with General Assembly Commissions and officials and HRP's General Presbyter and Stated Clerk.

Responsibilities:

1. Follow the will of God and the leading of the Holy Spirit in making all decisions, guided by Reformed Theology and informed by any relevant action taken by HRP.
2. Attend the orientation session/s provided by HRP's General Presbyter and Stated Clerk.
3. Prepare by doing all the reading and preparation required of commissioners in the weeks and months leading up to the General Assembly.
4. Attend the entire General Assembly, from opening to closing worship, as well as all meetings of the committee to which assigned, participating fully in the work of the General Assembly or, if circumstances change that limit, in any way, complete attendance and participation, contact immediately the Stated Clerk and General Presbyter, so that a determination can be made whether the duly elected alternate should attend instead.
5. Prepare for HRP's social media a video bio and provide at least one blog on the work of the committee you serve and one on the plenary.
6. Report to HRP the work of the assembly and interpret its decisions at the HRP meeting to include this.
7. Provide feedback on this position description for HRP's GA commissioners following the assembly.

Needed Talents Skills and Knowledge: Preferably have knowledge of Reformed theology, Presbyterian polity, the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the history and witness of the PCUSA and HRP.

Selection: Consideration in selection will be given to the following: those who have been and are active in HRP, having regularly attended meetings and served well on committees; one male and one female commissioner for both the Ruling Elder and Minister of Word and Sacrament; those who have not previously been an HRP GA Commissioner; the Moderator and Moderator-elect of the Presbytery; those who have been elected as an alternate GA Commissioner for HRP but did not end up serving; those who have served as a HRP GA overture advocate; those Ministers of Word and Sacrament who are not in a search process and Ruling Elders with no plans on leaving HRP in the time leading up to GA and the two years following; and, per the Constitution, those who reflect the diversity in HRP.

Benefits: The joy of serving God through the mission and ministry of HRP and of shaping the faithful witness of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Evaluation: This position description will be evaluated by HRP's Council at least bi-annually prior to selection discernment process of the Committee on Representation and Nominations.

If elected, I hereby agree to faithfully fulfill, to the best of my ability, this commission's responsibilities set forth in this document and approved by HRP's Council.

Signature

Date