



The 224th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Virginia

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Elected Positions Nomination Form

Name: Ashley Cameron

Position Sought: Standing Committee - Laity

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Please provide a biographical sketch for publication, including elected or appointed positions or ministries held at the parish, provincial and/or national church level and highlighting why you would like the position and believe you are qualified. Please include a digital photograph with the nomination form.

As the Diocese of Virginia enters this time of transition, I believe it is a true opportunity for change. It is an exciting time to first, celebrate where the Diocese has been, but then evaluate where we want to go, and how we, as a Diocese, want to serve the staff, clergy, related organizations, and parishioners moving forward. It is an exciting time especially for fresh ideas and new voices. I, Ashley Cameron, would love to have the opportunity to serve as a fresh, new voice. Should the Diocese not be reflected in its leadership? As the number of millenials or young adults continue to grow as parishioners of the parish, they should be represented and I'd be honored to serve as a representative for that demographic on the Standing Committee.

I'm a lifelong member of the Episcopal Church. I grew up attending and was confirmed at St. James' in Leesburg. From the time I was in middle school through high school, I attended St. George's Camp at Shrine Mont, participated in Parish Youth Ministries (PYM) weekends, and then became a member of the planning and leadership team my senior year of high school. I was active in local outreach projects as well as participating in short-term mission trips. Throughout college, I continued my faith journey as a member of the Campus Christian Community, an ecumenical group supported by the local Episcopal, Methodist, Lutheran, and Presbyterian churches, at the University of Mary Washington and served on the leadership team there for my last two years. In 2012, I graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Economics and Spanish.

For my professional career, I interned for the Diocese of Virginia in the Office of Mission and Outreach for one year. Afterwards, I served for one year as a Young Adult Service Corps missionary for The Episcopal Church. Placed in the Philippines, I worked alongside the Diocese of Santiago's Episcopal Microfinance Foundation assisting local market vendors in securing mico-loans for their businesses. In 2015, I returned to the Diocese of Virginia working as the Programs and Partnerships Coordinator for the Office of Mission and Outreach and then as the Communications Associate. Currently, I am the Director of Communications and Parish Life at St. Mary's in Goochland. In this role, I create and publish all print publications and email marketing. I manage all social media accounts and the website. I work closely alongside the directors of children and youth ministries to effectively tell the story of those ministries to build community amongst the members and evangelize out to potential newcomers. And I work closely with the Stewardship Committee to create engaging but transparent communications around the Annual Giving Campaign. I truly love the opportunity day in and day out to share the story of how we are all a part of God's larger story.

Nominator: Diane Wright

Mail, fax or e-mail completed form **no later than Wednesday, October 17, 2018** to:
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