



The 226th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Virginia

November 14, 2020

Elected Positions Nomination Form

Name: _____

Position Sought: _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Church Name, Location _____

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.

Mail, fax or e-mail completed form to: Secretary of the Diocese, 110 W. Franklin Street, Richmond, VA 23220 Fax: 804-644-6928 E-mail: bmartin@thediocese.net

Nominations must be received **no later than close of business on Tuesday, October 27, 2020**

Statement of Candidacy

Among its devastating effects, the pandemic has exposed weaknesses of the church in this age. We are tested now as never before to continue our mission, to maintain our corporate worship, to strengthen our polity, to evangelize and serve as we are taught to do. At the same time, the social fabric of our county is rent with racial injustice and inequality, and it yearns for the leadership the church could provide. I seek to contribute to the work of the Diocese in meeting and overcoming these challenges by joining the Standing Committee. By faith, through prayer, and with intentional action, I believe all things are possible.

I am a member of St. John's, McLean. In the last forty years, I served twice on the Vestry and as Senior Warden. My church activities include mentoring confirmands, stewardship planning, and lay reading. For many years, I led a Faith and Work discussion group in the parish. I was a delegate to the Annual Convention from St. John's, serving for more than a decade on the Resolutions Committee, and I will be a parish delegate again in 2021.

In the Diocese, I was a member of the Executive Board of the Diocese and in 2006 was Vice-President of the Board at the time property issues arising from the departing parishes arose. In 2009, I was an alternate delegate from the Diocese to General Convention.

After graduation from the University of Kentucky and from Harvard Law School, I practiced law in Virginia, Washington, D.C., and London, England. I am presently a Senior Counsel at Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP. In recent years I devoted attention to cases referred through the Capital Area Immigrant Rights Coalition. I have been a volunteer for the Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy. My wife Deborah and I now reside in Reston, and our three children and five grandchildren reside in McLean, Richmond, and Rye, New York.

