



## The 228<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Diocese of Virginia

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### Elected Position Nomination Form

Position Sought:

STANDING COMMITTEE  GENERAL CONVENTION  PROVINCE III

Order: LAY  CLERGY

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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.

Mail, fax or e-mail completed form **no later than Tuesday, November 1, 2022** to:  
Secretary of the Diocese, 110 W. Franklin Street, Richmond, VA 23220  
Fax: 804-644-6928 E-mail: [bmartin@thediocese.net](mailto:bmartin@thediocese.net)

Dear Members of the Diocese of Virginia,

Greetings from Grace in Alexandria, where I serve as the Associate Rector. I write with enthusiasm and a listening heart to nominate myself for the Standing Committee of our diocese. Born in Colombia, I did my undergrad in Miami before moving to Canada where I was a member of the Jesuit order for seven years. I was received into the Anglican Church in Canada in 2015, and after returning to the United States, I graduated in 2021 from the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas. I am an avid runner and futbol aficionado who is passionate about Ignatian spirituality, playing Dungeons and Dragons, and exploring the outdoors with my wife (a priest and school chaplain) and son. My pronouns are he / él.

I am running for the standing committee because I love Jesus and I love the church. The last few years have taught me that the Spirit of God works through our processes and committees. Being a member of the Standing Committee is an important ministry. Also, I am interested in representing my sector of the community within the diocese. My years of formation as a Jesuit and my participation in the Advisory Boards of Forma and the Latino/Hispanic Ministries of the Episcopal Church have given me lots of experience on discernment, active listening, leaning into uncomfortable conversations with courage and curiosity, and making difficult decisions with peaceful joy. These are skills that will serve me well to interview those seeking candidacy to ordination, advising the Bishop, approving applications that help our parishes care for property, submitting reports on proceedings that help us to cast new vision with faithful leadership and grace. I am excited about the opportunity to serve in the Standing Committee because I believe the nuts and bolts workings of the church are holy, for they help us to feel united in mission and purpose. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

In Christ,

The Rev. Santiago "Santi" Rodriguez

