

## **Canon A-7: DELEGATES TO THE PROVINCIAL SYNOD**

### *election:*

1. a) The Synod shall, at the regular meeting of the Synod occurring closest in time to the sitting of Provincial Synod, elect to the Provincial Synod from the members of the Synod, by combined ballot of the clergy and lay members, that number of delegates of each order to which the Diocese may be entitled. (Amended, 2001).

(a.1) The Synod shall, at a regular meeting of the Synod occurring closest in time to the sitting of Provincial Synod, elect to the Provincial Synod from the members of the Synod nominated by the youth delegates to Synod, by combined ballot of the clergy and lay members, one representative who will be at least sixteen years of age upon the opening of Provincial Synod and under the age of twenty-six years upon the prorogation of Provincial Synod. (Adopted 2011)

(a.2) For the purposes of Canon A-7(1)(a.2), the term “youth delegate” means (i) a “lay delegate” pursuant to Article 3 (1)(a) of the Constitution who is between the ages of 16 and 24; or (ii) a “youth delegate” pursuant to article 1(e) of the Constitution. (Adopted 2011)

b) At the same time the Synod shall elect a like number of substitutes who shall, in the order of their election, take the place of the delegates of each order who after the election shall be unable for any reason to attend the Provincial Synod. (Amended 1969)

### *notification of Provincial Synod:*

2. A certificate containing the names of the delegates and the substitute delegates of each order, signed by and bearing the seal of the Bishop, shall be forwarded by the Secretaries to the Secretaries of the Provincial Synod immediately after the election takes place.

### *substitute attending Provincial Synod:*

3. a) When a substitute delegate in either order is required to attend the Provincial Synod, a certificate under the hand and seal of the Bishop shall be given to such delegate. In the absence of the Bishop or during a vacancy of the See, the Clerical Secretary shall issue the certificate.

b) The certificate shall state the name of the delegate in whose place the substitute shall attend, and shall entitle the substitute to a seat at the Provincial Synod. (Amended 1935, 1961).

*[formerly Canon 3]*