

DATE: May 31, 2019

TO: Presbytery Stated Clerks

Presbyterian Church in America

FROM: Stated Clerk Transition Committee

SUBJECT: Request for Input

The Administrative Committee of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), at its meeting of April 25, 2019, appointed and empowered a Stated Clerk Transition Committee for the purpose of preparing and planning for a future transition in the position of Stated Clerk of the PCA. At the same meeting, the Administrative Committee recommended the election of Dr. Roy Taylor as Stated Clerk for 2019-20. The Transition Committee would convert into a Search Committee at such time as the then-current Stated Clerk announces his retirement or a vacancy otherwise occurs in the position of Stated Clerk.

The Rules of Assembly Operations set forth the Administrative Committee's responsibility to nominate to the General Assembly a candidate for the position of Stated Clerk (RAO 3-4) as well as both the position description (RAO 3-2 and 3-3) and qualifications (RAO 3-5) for such position. The Transition Committee believes that it would also be helpful to develop a profile of the characteristics that the Search Committee and Administrative Committee would utilize in evaluating and recommending a candidate to the General Assembly. Our sincere desire is that this list of characteristics will represent the collective wisdom of our whole Denomination as the result of formal and informal conversations among her leaders.

We desire to promote an open, inclusive dialogue such that the Transition Committee is as informed as reasonably possible of the various views within the PCA. This communication is intended as our request to begin a dialogue with members of our denomination who may have a desire to provide input into this process. Please distribute this communication to the members of your Presbytery and request that they provide input as they may be led at https://forms.gle/tLU3kycjJig3Vgfi8.

If so inclined, individuals may also feel free to reach out to any member of the Transition Committee:

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