


2009 Nominee Biography

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Parish *	St. Peter's Episcopal Church
Deanery	Valley Forge Deanery
Office for which to be considered	Finance and Property
Occupation or Employer	Rector
Are you willing to stand for election? *	Yes

1. What motivated you to seek nomination for this committee?

Even in this economically troubled time our diocese is blessed in terms of resources. Yet I feel that we conduct the business of our church based on the economics of scarcity rather than on the economics of abundance. I would like

_to see how the P and F committee can best serve the congregations at a time when they are economically challenged.

_to see ourselves becoming more transparent with respect to our obligations and priorities.

_to see our parishes are in alignment with the common purpose of the diocese.

_to see our parishes challenging themselves and contributing to the diocese the best they can so that it could fulfill its role in God's mission in our midst.

-to see the diocese providing adequate direction and expert advice to our struggling parishes.

-to see more creative and imaginative approaches applied in dealing with Wapiti and 3717-19 Chestnut Street properties

2. If nominated, what added value would you bring to the Diocese in moving the committee forward with God's work?

I came into ministry with a rich and varied history of secular employment in profit and non-profit organizations and with vast experience in working with people from a broad range of backgrounds. Of relevance to the work of this committee is my 15 years of experience in private sector financial services business, of which number of years as a sole proprietor and the rest working for Fidelity Investments Corp. and State Street Bank. I also served as the Interim Executive Director of Asian American Resource Workshop, a non-profit advocacy organization serving the political and cultural needs of new immigrants in Boston. I believe these secular professional experiences combined with my people skills and ministry experience will prove to be valuable in carrying out the responsibilities of this committee.

3. Please list relevant experience.

The rector of St. Peter's Episcopal Parish in Phoenixville (current)
 Member of the Commission on Ministry (current)
 President of Phoenixville Area Clergy Association (current)
 Board Member of Phoenixville Public Library, Chester County Citizen Advocacy, Green MicroFinance (current)
 Successfully served two parishes in the Diocese of Massachusetts (2002–2006)
 Standing Committee Member in the diocese of Massachusetts (2004– 06)
 Served on the Board of Massachusetts Council of Churches
 15 years in providing financial services to individual and institutional clients (1985–2000)

Recommended for Nomination by The Rev. Thomas Eoyang

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By resolution of the 202nd Convention, candidates for election to Diocesan Office are required to disclose the amounts of fees (other than salary) in excess of \$5,000 received from Church organizations during the past five years.

Not Applicable

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