

REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT DATE January 19, 2016

AUTHORITY, BOARD OR COMMISSION YOU ARE REQUESTING
APPOINTMENT TO: Ethics Board

NAME: The Rev. Canon Maria W. E. Tjeltveit

HOME ADDRESS: 124 S. Madison St., Allentown, PA 18102

BUSINESS ADDRESS: Episcopal Church of the Mediator, 1620 Turner St.,
Allentown, PA 18102

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PRESENTLY EMPLOYED BY: The Episcopal Church of the Mediator

JOB TITLE: Rector

EMPLOYMENT (Prior): St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Harrington Park, NJ (1994-98). St Paul's Episcopal Church, Alexandria, VA (1986-94). St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Charleston, WV (1986-88). Volunteer for Mission, Highland Educational Project, Northfork, WV (1982-83). Research Interviewer, Philadelphia Geriatric Center, Philadelphia, PA (1981-82).

EDUCATION:

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE: X YES NO

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY GRADUATE X YES NO

DEGREE/FIELD OF STUDY BA in Philosophy, Masters of Divinity

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS AND OFFICES: Canon for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem. Secretary, Moravian-Episcopal Coordinating Committee for national Episcopal Church. Executive Committee Member of the Episcopal Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers. One of six leaders of Christian Communities Gathering of North Eastern Pennsylvania. Member, Interfaith in Action Committee and Long Range Planning Committee of the Lehigh Conference of Churches. Member, Institute for Jewish-Christian Understanding Colloquy. President, William Allen High School PTSA.

PAST ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICES HELD: Member, Ethics Board, City of Allentown. Member Diocesan Council, Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem. President/ Treasurer, Raub Middle School PTO. Chair of Homeless Supportive Services and Linkage Support Committee of the Lehigh Conference of Churches. Board Member, Berkeley Divinity School at Yale.

DO YOU LIVE IN THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN: ____X____ YES
____NO

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED? No

IF SO, WHY?

DO YOU HAVE A SIGNIFICANT "BUSINESS" OR "PROPERTY" INTEREST IN ALLENTOWN? PLEASE EXPLAIN: No. The only property we own is our home.

ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER: ____X____ YES ____NO

WHY ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THIS APPOINTMENT? BE SURE TO INCLUDE WHAT VALUE YOU WILL BRING TO THE BOARD: I am interested in this appointment because I have had the privilege of serving on the Ethics Board for the past few years and find that it is a way that I can offer my ethical perspective in a way that serves our municipality. Because I have these years of experience I have a better sense of how the city ethics code works and how it applies in different situations. While I was on the Ethics Board we recommended amendments that allowed the process to be more congruent with current electronic communications.

DO YOU ANTICIPATE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST BY SERVING AS A MEMBER OF AN AUTHORITY, BOARD OR COMMISSION: ____X____ YES
____NO

IF YES, EXPLAIN: In general, I would not have a conflict of interest. However, I am friends with the Mayor's wife and our children are friends. So if there was an ethics case related specifically to the Mayor, I would recuse myself.

IF YOU ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR REAPPOINTMENT, PLEASE
INDICATE HOW MANY TERMS YOU HAVE SERVED 2 AND
THE YEAR YOU WERE FIRST APPOINTED 2010.

NOTE: This information will be used for making appointments to authorities, boards
and commission and in the event you are appointed/reappointed, it may be used as a
news release to identify you to the community.

Alon W. E. Tjebkervit February 10, 2016
Signature Date

Please forward this request for appointment, along with a resume to:

Mayor's Office

City Hall

435 Hamilton Street

Allentown, PA 18101

THE REV. CANON MARIA W. E. TJELTVEIT

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Allentown, PA 18102

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EXPERIENCE

The Episcopal Church of the Mediator, Allentown, Pennsylvania

RECTOR, September, 1999–present.

Lead 300 member congregation in the West End of Allentown.

Canon for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations for Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem. Secretary, Moravian Episcopal Coordinating Committee. Co-leader, Christian Communities Gathering of North Eastern Pennsylvania, Member, Interfaith in Action Committee and Long Range Planning Committee, Lehigh Conference of Churches. Member, Institute for Jewish-Christian Understanding. Member, City of Allentown Board of Ethics. President, William Allen High School PTSA.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Harrington Park, New Jersey

RECTOR, July, 1994–June, 1998.

Rector of 100 member suburban congregation.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Alexandria, Virginia

ASSISTANT TO THE RECTOR FOR CHRISTIAN SOCIAL MINISTRIES, 1988-1994

Oversaw extensive outreach ministry in a 1000 member congregation.

Chair of the board of Carpenter's Shelter (largest shelter in Northern Virginia).

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Charleston, West Virginia

ASSISTANT RECTOR, 1986–1988

Primary responsibility for Outreach and Young Adult ministry in a 500 member parish.

Highland Educational Project, Northfork, West Virginia

VOLUNTEER FOR MISSION 1982-1983

Full-time volunteer working with Senior Citizens.

Philadelphia Geriatric Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

RESEARCH INTERVIEWER, 1981-1982

Interviewed women for a study, *Women, Work, and Care of the Aged, Mental Health Effects*.

EDUCATION

Berkeley Divinity School at Yale, Master of Divinity, Cum Laude, 1986.

Alumni member of the Board of Trustees, Berkeley Divinity School, 1995–2000.

Swarthmore College, Bachelor of Arts with Honors in Philosophy 1981.

Personal: Married to Dr. Alan Tjeltveit. Two children, ages 17 and 15. Enjoy reading, running, gardening, knitting, and cooking.