



## OFFICER NOMINATION FORM

Prayerfully consider the following biblical instruction:

The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.

Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.  
I Timothy 3:1-13 (ESV)

In light of this text, the man you nominate must be characterized by the following:

- ❖ His speech and actions make him worthy of respect.
- ❖ He is free from addictions (e.g., alcohol, drugs, pornography, etc.).
- ❖ He is honest in his business dealings.
- ❖ He understands and is committed to sound doctrine (particularly as expressed in the Westminster Standards).
- ❖ If married, he is completely faithful to his wife.
- ❖ He lovingly leads and manages the family God has given him (providing for them physically and emotionally).
- ❖ He has demonstrated a heart for shepherding and service.

To: The Session of Westminster Presbyterian Church

Please consider the following church member for the office of Elder or Deacon (circle one) at Westminster Presbyterian Church:

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Church Member Name

I have reviewed the Biblical requirements for the office of deacon in I Timothy 3. I believe, by God's grace, this individual possesses these qualities and I have prayed over this request.

Additionally:

- ❖ I have contacted this individual and have received permission to make this recommendation.     Yes     No
  
- ❖ I have inquired about their participation in the Theological Foundations class and have been assured they have completed it.     Yes     No
  
- ❖ Has he been ordained?     Yes     No     I don't know

Respectfully Submitted,

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Signed

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Printed Name

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Date