

BILL NO.	CLO PL 09
TITLE	Terms of Service for Members of the Board of Stewards
REFERENCE	<i>The Doctrine and Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church 2012, Part IV, Section II.A.1. a. 1) paragraphs c) and d); Pg. 61.</i>
INTENT	To establish consecutive terms of service for members of the Board of Stewards that will best benefit the local church.
RATIONALE	In order for the local church to operate effectively it needs to engage the contributions and cooperation of all members in all areas of service and ministries. It is important that positions of leadership such as members of the Board of Stewards have an appropriate turnover that would ensure that resources are updated for effective church administration so that leadership will remain relevant to the changing times. Church members who meet the qualifications of this position will have a better opportunity to serve in this capacity if the consecutive term of service is in place. The years of service prior to the effective date will not be factored in (i.e. everyone will start from zero years). There is also opportunity for a member to be nominated again one year after serving the necessary consecutive years (i.e. there shall be a one year lapse after serving eight consecutive years before a member can be nominated again).



1 CURRENT TEXT: Section II.A.1. a.1(c); Page 61

2 The pastor in charge shall nominate the number of stewards needed for the mission,
3 circuit, or station and shall submit them to the Quarterly Conference, which shall confirm
4 them or, if it sees fit, reject them.

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6 AMENDED TEXT: Section II.A.1. a.1(c); Page 61:

7 The pastor in charge shall nominate **annually** the number of stewards needed for the

8 mission, circuit, or station and shall submit them to the first Quarterly Conference, which
9 shall confirm them or, if it sees fit, reject them. *There shall be not less than a one year*
10 *lapse after serving eight consecutive years before a member can be nominated again.*

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12 CURRENT TEXT Section II.A.1. a.1 (d); Page 61

13 The stewards so nominated and confirmed shall serve for a term of one year. The same
14 person(s) may be nominated annually.

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16 AMENDED TEXT: Section II.A.1. a.1 (d); Page. 61

17 The stewards so nominated and confirmed shall serve a term of one year. The same
18 person (s) may be nominated annually *but shall not serve for more than eight (8) years*
19 *consecutively. Exception may be made with approval at the first Quarterly*
20 *Conference of a local church, station or circuit consisting of less than fifty (50) adult*
21 *members. The years of service prior to the effective date of this legislation will not be*
22 *factored into its execution. This legislation will take effect at the close of the 2016*
23 *General Conference.*

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25 **FUNDING: There is no cost associated with this proposed legislation.**

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27 **Submitted by the CLO Proposed Legislation Committee**

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