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INFORMATION**

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***To: The Presbyterian Mission Agency***

***Re: An update on the search for the Stated Clerk***

***Dear Friends:***

***The General Assembly Nominating Committee for the Stated Clerk has had two meetings. The orientation meeting held in May, 2015 brought the 10 of us together for two days to get acquainted, review our task and begin reflecting on the Position Description, as it related to the duties and functions of the Stated Clerk. At the September meeting we acknowledged that the current Stated Clerk, Rev. Dr. Grady Parsons, would not seek to be presented for a third term. This meeting was more in-depth, in that we continued to focus on the duties and functions of the position and Office of the Stated Clerk; reviewed the responses received from identified groups across the denomination on the skills and traits needed in a candidate; designed an announcement to be distribute seeking applicants; set a schedule for future meetings, that outlined the process of receiving applications from persons interested in serving in the position; identifying applicants to be interviewed; conducting interviews and presenting a candidate to the Assembly in June of 2016. The committee's next meeting will be in January, 2016. The committee solicits your prayer, as we continue our work and accept the guidance of God's Holy Spirit.***