

## DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL MEMBERS

## Introduction

The Archdiocesan Council is the advisory and consultative body to the Archbishop and the Synod and it is concerned with the life, growth and unity of the Archdiocese. Appointed members to the Council (51) serve at the pleasure of the Archbishop. In addition, there are elected members of the Council (1 Clergy & 2 Lay persons) from each Metropolis as well as ex officio members.

## **Duties, Responsibilities and Expectations**

All Nominees shall read Article 5 of the Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America prior to accepting the proposed Nomination.

Each member of the Archdiocesan Council is expected:

- 1. to live their life in accordance with the Faith and Canons of the Church;
- 2. to assist the Archbishop and Synod in carrying out their goals and programs for the Archdiocese.
- 3. to give of their time, treasure and talents to the Archdiocese.

4. to make all reasonable efforts to attend every meeting of the Archdiocesan Council and be available for each conference call meeting that may be scheduled.

5. to contribute and provide advice and counsel based on the best interests of the Archdiocese. In addition, each Member also has the duty to present the view of the Detroit Metropolis. The personal views of the Council Member should not be presented if they have not been confirmed to be the views of the Metropolis.

6. to disclose any potential situation which may be a conflict of interest, or which may appear to be a conflict of interest and sign a Disclosure Statement as may be requested. If there is any question about a particular set of circumstances, it must always be resolved in favor of disclosure.

7. to communicate the activities of the Council to their home Metropolis and to actively support the programs of the Archdiocesan council.

## It is understood that:

A. the Archdiocese does not reimburse any expenses related to attendance at meetings. His Eminence understands that this is a burden and very much appreciates the sacrifices made.

B. information discussed at Council meetings may be confidential under certain circumstances. Council members are expected to keep such information confidential.