

Resolution 4 for 2010 Diocesan Convention
Submitted by the Eastern Deanery

REVISE RULES OF ORDER – RESOLUTION FILING DEADLINE

Whereas: Canonically, Deanery pre-convention meetings must take place two weeks before Convention (3.8.a);

Whereas: Currently, the deadline for resolutions to Convention to be circulated is three weeks before Convention (R.O. 3.a);

Whereas: This means that Deanery pre-convention meetings could take place before all resolutions have been circulated, making it impossible for Deaneries to discuss them;

Be it Resolved: That the deadline for pre-filing resolutions to be considered at Diocesan Convention be moved to September 1.

EXPLANATION

Currently, it is possible for a Deanery to meet before the deadline for resolutions to be circulated. While it has often been the case that the Deanery meetings have fallen neatly between the three and two week window of time, there is no guarantee of that occurring. It is important for the Deaneries and their assembled delegates to have ample time to discuss resolutions, to engage in discernment and due diligence. Resolutions submitted after that date would still be subject to Rule of Order 3.b and could be considered by Convention by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.