

2026 - 2028

LECUSA Executive Committee, Ad-Hoc Committees, and Chapter Leaders

Executive Committee (Officers, Past President, Committee Chairs and Chapter Leaders)

Shall consist of the elected officers, chairpersons of Standing Committees, the president and secretary of chapters and the immediate past president of National LECUSA. **The immediate past president and secretaries of chapters shall serve for only one term on the Executive Committee.** The National President of LECUSA shall be the head of the Executive Committee and presider of the Executive Committee meetings. It shall be the responsibility of the Executive Committee to implement the decisions of the Annual Gathering, authorize financial disbursements, and timely authorize an annual audit of the finances of the organization.

LECUSA OFFICERS (2026-2028)

Mr. Samuel Abdullai, President (Chairperson)

Rev. Enid Cole, Vice President (Co-Chairperson)

Ms. Althelia Tubman, National Secretary

Ms. Kaade Wallace, Treasurer

Ms. Kanda George, Financial Secretary

Mr. Musa Goll, Parliamentarian

Rev. John Worjloh Mitchell, Chaplain

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT (2026 - 2027)

Rev. Dr. James N. Wilson II

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Ms. Kaade Wallace, Finance Committee

Dr. Benoni Tarr Grimes, Membership Committee

Rev. John Worjloh Mitchell, Pastoral Care Committee

Lady Elfreda Thorpe, Fundraising Committee

Rev. Canon Dr. James Yarsiah, By-Laws & Amendments Committee

Bishop John W. Harmon, Advisory Committee

Mrs. Caroline Grimes, 2027 Annual Gathering Planning Committee

CHAPTER LEADERS

Mrs. Caroline Grimes, President Minnesota Chapter

Mrs. Theresa Tete Togba, Secretary Minnesota Chapter (2026-2027)

Rev. Eudora Gardiner, Acting President Georgia Chapter

Mrs. Wilhelmina Wilson, Acting Secretary Georgia Chapter (2026-2027)

Mrs. Jacqueline Robinson-Cooper, President DMV Chapter

Mrs. Quallyna Porte-Dunbar, Secretary DMV Chapter (2026-2027)

Mrs. Barbara Badio, President Rhode Island Chapter

Lady Elfreda Thorpe, Secretary Rhode Island Chapter

Mr. Boakai Korgbe, President Tri-State Chapter

Ms. Theodora D. Woart, Secretary Tri-State Chapter (2026-2027)

Rev. Wheigar Bright, President Carolinas Chapter
Mrs. Anne Vani Obey, Secretary Carolinas Chapter (2026-2027)

Finance Committee (Ms. Kaade Wallace, Chair)

Shall oversee LECUSA's finances, ensure that members are current with their payment of dues, prepare monthly reports and submit an annual budget of LECUSA for the approval of the Annual Gathering. The Finance Committee is to explore opportunities for investment or brokerage account, endowment, and foundation investment.

Ms. Kanda George
Mr. Jonathan Pearce
Mrs. Augusta Paye Elliott

Membership Committee (Dr. Benoni Tarr Grimes, Chair)

Shall be responsible to recruit members, coordinate the formation of chapters (in consultation with the Executive), and keep a current and accurate roster of the membership of LECUSA.

Ms. Althelia Tubman
Mr. Jonathan Pearce
Mr. David Hanson
Fr. Wheigar Bright
Mr. Jankoba Sambola
Mr. Paul Bel George
Rev. Dr. James N. Wilson II

Pastoral Care Committee (Rev. John Worjloh Mitchell, Chair)

Shall represent LECUSA in matters requiring pastoral care and assistance to LECUSA members and their families.

Rev. Abeoseh Flemister
Ms. Phebe Koha Jallah
Ms. Finda Sharpe
Ms. Kanda George
Rev. Eudora Gardiner
Rev. Canon Dr. James T. Yarsiah
Mrs. Magdalene Hanson
Dr. Dwedor Massaquoi
Mrs. Martha McIntosh

Fundraising Committee (Lady Elfreda Thorpe, Chair)

The primary duty of a nonprofit organization is to serve its constituents and the public.

Fundraising is one of their main activities, so LECUSA's fundraising committee is to oversee efforts for fundraising events, securing grants, and thanking donors.

Mr. Richard Thorpe
Mrs. Samilla Brownell Thorpe
Fr. Wheigar Bright
Ms. Wilhelmina Wilson
Mrs. Anne Vani Obey
Mr. David Hanson
Mr. Paul Bel George (Advisor)

Bylaws & Amendment Committee (Rev. Canon Dr. James Yarsiah, Chair)

A LECUSA bylaws and amendment committee is responsible for the creation and maintenance of LECUSA's bylaws, which is the set of rules that guide LECUSA's operations and activities, name of LECUSA, statement of purpose, election, roles, and terms of board members and officers, membership categories and responsibilities, meeting guidelines (frequency and quorum), standing committees, set policies and procedures, such as conflict of interest policies.

Cllr. Mohammadu F. Jones, LECUSA Legal Counsel
Mr. Aurelius Butler
Mrs. Rhoda Weeks-Brown

LECUSA Advisory Committee (Aurelius Butte, Chair)

LECUSA representatives on the Advisory Committee are to foster the mutual missional partnership between LECUSA and ECL for the viability and sustainability of ECL in keeping with LECUSA mission.

Bishop John T. Harmon
Dr. D. Elwood Dunn
Rt. Rev. Wilmot Merchant II
Mr. Paul Jones
Rev. Canon Dr. Dee Wellington Bright
Rev. Canon Dr. James T. Yarsiah
Mr. Gerald F. B. Cooper

LECUSA Annual Gathering Planning Committee

The Committee is in charge of planning the annual gatherings of LECUSA in collaboration with the host LECUSA chapter, host LECUSA members if there is no chapter, and LECUSA Leadership with the following steps:

- *Determine the goals of each annual gathering, dates, and colors of each gathering
- *Choose a theme with the help of the LECUSA leadership

- *Decide on an annual gathering souvenir and booklet
- *Decide the budget in collaboration with the LECUSA Financial Team
- *Pick a venue in collaboration with the host chapter
- *Handle other logistics such as food, lodging, transportation, speaker, and honorees.

2027 LECUSA Gathering – Minneapolis, Minnesota

Mrs. Caroline Grimes, President, LECUSA, MN - Chair

Mr. David Hanson

Fr. Edward Thompson

Rev. Canon Dr. James T. Yarsiah

Mother Ophelia Yarsiah

Lady Eldreda Thorpe

Ms. Kanda George

Rev. Enid Cole

Ms. Maureen Wilson

Mrs. Augusta Elliot Paye

Ms. Kaade Wallace

*All Chapter Heads who have hosted Annual Gatherings should be included on the Annual Gathering Planning Committee