

## **LECUSA Executive Committee, Organizational Committees, and Chapter Leaders)**

### **Executive Committee (Officers, Past Presidents, 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 presidents of National LECUSA. The immediate past presidents 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 disbursement, and timely authorize an annual audit of the finances of the organization.

Fr. James N. Wilson, II, President (Chairman)

Ms. Wilhelmina Wilson, Vice President Co-Chairperson,

Mrs. Theresa Tete Togba Witherspoon, Secretary National and LECUSA MN Chapter

Mr. D. Jonathan Pearce, Treasurer and Vice President DMV

Mrs. Augusta Paye-Elliott, Financial Secretary and Minnesota Chapter President

Mr. Benoni Tarr Grimes, Parliamentarian and Membership Committee Chairman

Mrs. Rachel Bofa Jallah-Andrews, Chaplain

Fr. Dee Wellington Bright

Rev. Canon Wilmot Merchant

Mr. Gerald F. B. Cooper

Mr. Samuel Abdullai

Rev. Canon James Yarsiah

Mrs. Jacqueline Robinson-Cooper, DMV Chapter President

Mrs. Barbara Badio, Rhode Island Chapter President

Mr. Paul Bell George Chairman, Fund Raising Committee)

Mrs. Quallynini Port-Dunbar, DMV Chapter Secretary

Lady Elfreda Thorpe, Secretary, Rhode Island Chapter

Mrs. Marie Hayes

Cllr. Mohammadu F. Jones

### **Finance Committee (D. Jonathan Pearce, Chairman)**

Shall oversee LECUSA's finances, ensure that members are current with

their dues payment, prepare monthly report 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.

Mrs. Augusta Paye-Elliott (Co-Chairperson)  
Ms. Estelle Marshall,  
Mr. John Mellish,  
Mr. David Hanson

### **Membership Committee (Mr. Benoni Tar Grimes, Chairman)**

The **membership** committee shall be responsible to recruit members, coordinate the formation of chapters, and keep a current and accurate roster of the membership of LECUSA.

Mrs. Marie Hayes  
Althelia Tubman  
Mr. Jonathan Pearce  
Mr. David Hanson  
Mr. Paul George

### **Pastoral Care Committee (Mrs. Rachel Bofa Jallah-Andrews)**

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

Rev. Eudora Gardiner, Co-Chairperson  
Mrs. Cynthia Gilmore  
Mr. Paul Jones  
Anne Vani-Obey  
The Rev. Abeoseh Flemister  
Magdalene Hanson  
Rosetta Tetah Evans  
Anna Dixon-Hardy

### **Fundraising Committee (Mr. Paul George, Chairman)**

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

Mrs. Marie Hayes  
Fr. Wheigar Bright  
Ms. Wilhelmina Wilson  
Ms. Quentina Stewart  
Mr. David Hanson  
Mrs. Augusta Paye-Elliotte

### **The ECL Strategic Plan Committee (Mr. Gerald Cooper, Chair)**

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

Mr. Richard Thorpe  
Dr. Elwood Dunn  
Canon Wilmot Merchant  
Bishop John Harmon

### **Bylaws & Amendment Committee (Mrs. Marie Hayes, Chairperson)**

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.

Rev. Canon Dr. James Yarsiah  
Cllr. Mohammadu F. Jones, LECUSA Legal Counsel

**Immigration Committee (Edward W. Neufville, III, Chairman)**

The LECUSA Immigration Committee is to serve as an immigration resource, provide U.S immigration updates to LECUSA members to keep them informed, hold immigration information dissemination forum when needed, and help LECUSA members who may need immigration application.

Rev. Eudora Wilson-Gardiner

Ms. Oretha Pearce

Ms. Wilhelmina Wilson

Cllr. Mohammadu F. Jones, LECUSA Legal Counsel

***Communications and Public Relations Committees (Gabriel Williams,***

**Chairman)** A communications and public relations committee shall handle all matters that relate to communication and public relations to enhance the work of LECUSA, communicate with donors, stakeholders and others. The committee shall oversee newsletters, official communications, social media platforms, online presence and contact with the media.

Fr. Edward Thompson

Thelma Collins

Kaade Wallace

Theresa Tete Togba-Witherspoon

**Projects Committee (Ms. Wilhelmina Wilson, Chairperson)**

The Projects Committee is responsible for identifying projects (short term or long term), establishing project timelines with well-defined milestones and deadlines, setting and managing project budgets, ensuring financial resources are allocated efficiently, reviewing projects progress, and providing project progress updates at the monthly Executive Committee meetings.

Mrs. Cecelia Nemah (Co-Chairperson)

Mr. David Hanson

Ms. Quentina Stewart

Mr. John Mellish

## **LECUSA Legal Counsel (Cllr. Mohamradu Fr. Jones)**

To manage the legal needs/affairs of LECUSA and provide legal guidance/advice on any legal challenge LECUSA may encounter.

## **The 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, and transportation, speaker, and honorees.

David Hanson – Chairman

Lady Eldreda Thorpe

Fr. Edward Thompson

Rev. Canon Dr. James T. Yarsiah

Caroline Grimes, President, LECUSA, MN

Wilhelmina Wilson, President, LECUSA, GA

Jacqueline Robinson-Cooper, President, LECUSA DMV

Barbara Badio, President, LECUSA RI

Augusta Paye-Elliott (2024 LECUSA Gathering host)