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 Tetee 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

Rev. Canon Dr. James T. Yarsiah

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 constitutes 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

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 Tetee 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)

Mrs. Quallynini Porte-Dunbar

Mr. David Hanson Mr. John Mellish

LECUSA Legal Counsel (Cllr. Mohammadu 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

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)