Canon Law Society
of America

77th Annual Convention
October 12-15, 2015
The Westin Convention Center Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Church Structures Fifty Years After Vatican II: Present and Future

It has been said that the Church, a two-thousand year old institution, thinks not in years but centuries. Although the Second Vatican Council concluded fifty years ago, we are still in the process of receiving the Council and implementing its work, and searching for understanding and new insights about the nature of the Church and her mission in the world. Guided by the Spirit, we acknowledge that human struggles continue today just as took place during the Council; yet we know that the Church is in God’s hands.

In 1974, the Canon Law Society of America conducted a “Think Tank” to identify a focus for future research. It established the “Permanent Seminar” as an effort involving teams of scholars to research fundamental theological and canonical issues. The first of the three seminars addressed the Church as Communion in which the participants attempted to synthesize the notion of communio from historical, theological and practical perspectives. The papers were later published in The Jurist 1976: 1/2.

Today’s emphasis on the notion of the Church as communio, Cardinal Walter Kasper points out, has led to new forms of “common responsibility” at all levels of the Church. Yet communio is not a description of Church structures. For the structures of the Church are not ends in themselves but a means for helping the Church to be more clearly the sign and instrument of fellowship or communion with God and with others. What, then, are and what should be the structures of the Church and the norms that express, promote and sustain the bond of communio?

Pope Saint John Paul II provides some guidance in his apostolic letter Novo millennio ineunte when he invokes a spirituality of communion as the theological framework for the development of structures of communion and participation which ensure and safeguard communion among bishops, priests and deacons, and all the faithful (MNI 44-45). A few years later, in his apostolic exhortation Pastores gregis, the Holy Father points out that sharing responsibility for the life of the particular church is an essential element of the organic structure of ecclesial communion (PG 44).

Over the past fifty years we have witnessed tremendous changes in the life of the Church and in her structures. The Church has experienced remarkable growth and visibility; yet at times, her structures have met with difficulties in discerning how best to respond to the Council’s teaching and its decisions, to new needs and new developments.

As canon lawyers, we are challenged today to revitalize the church’s structures as instruments of pastoral ministry and genuine community. In defining the vocation of canon lawyers, Fr. Ladislas Örsy, SJ, describes our task as a partnership with the Spirit in building appropriate structures for the unfolding kingdom of God in human history.

Board of Governors
November 2013
Welcome to the Diocese of Pittsburgh!

Erected in 1843 from the then-Diocese of Philadelphia, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh in western Pennsylvania encompasses the counties of Allegheny, Beaver, Butler, Greene, Lawrence, and Washington. Before the arrival of both French and English settlers, the territory around the Allegheny, Ohio, and Monongahela Rivers was inhabited by the Shawnee, Delaware, and Seneca tribes. The early church relied on missionary religious and military chaplains from Fort Duquesne and Fort Pitt to cultivate the faith.

Pope Gregory XVI named Michael O’Connor the first bishop of Pittsburgh on August 11, 1843. Bishop O’Connor would serve the faithful first in Pittsburgh, then Erie, before returning to the City of Bridges and shepherding the growing flock until his retirement in 1860.

Today, the Diocese of Pittsburgh is home to nearly two hundred parishes and over six hundred thousand Catholics, across a landscape of 3,753 square miles. Bishop David A. Zubik, the twelfth bishop of Pittsburgh, has served the See of Pittsburgh since his appointment and installation at Saint Paul Cathedral in 2007.

This year, the Diocese of Pittsburgh celebrates On Mission for The Church Alive!, a diocesan-wide initiative on growth through evangelization. The bishop’s call for all laity, religious, and clergy to engage in vibrant, consultative, courageous, and compassionate faith-building is echoed by the Canon Law Society of America as we embrace the 2015 Convention theme on present and future Church structures.

The Canon Law Society is pleased to celebrate this seventy-seventh convention in the Keystone State, and we are grateful for the assistance and planning of our host diocese and tribunal.

Welcome to Pittsburgh!

Most Reverend David A. Zubik
Pre-Convention Workshops

Two pre-convention workshops are offered this year in conjunction with our annual convention. An additional registration fee of $275 per person is required for participation in a workshop. (Please select only one.) Workshops begin Sunday, October 11, 2015. The full pre-convention schedule may be found on page 5.

Workshop 1. Instructing Marriage Nullity Cases: Discovering the Truth, Identifying the Void

*Very Rev. Paul Counce, JCL*

To instruct a marriage case in the Tribunal means identifying and organizing in proper fashion those things essential to the case which can be known, but it also means identifying those things which are unnecessary or not known. In this basic workshop, using sample materials and sharing experiences and insights, the process of instructing cases will be studied, with key steps and pitfalls highlighted, “best practices” suggested, and helpful insights made. We shall all learn together!

Workshop 2. New Institutes and Forms of Consecrated Life Emerging in Your Arch/Diocese: A Pastoral–Canonical Approach

*Sr. Amy Hereford, CSJ, JCD*  
*Sr. Karla Felix-Rivera, VDMF, and Christina Hip-Flores, JCD-Candidates*

This workshop, offered during the celebration of the Year of Consecrated Life, will explore the various ways in which the Life of the Spirit is stirring anew in the Church today through

- new religious institutes,  
- diocesan hermits and consecrated virgins,  
- new forms of consecrated life, and  
- the lay ecclesial movements that may give rise to new institutes.

Each of these movements calls for a response that is both open to the Spirit and is canonically precise.

The workshop will explore

- the new ways religious are sharing their lives and spirituality with the laity,  
- special concerns of autonomous monasteries,  
- religious who move into a diocese for ministry or fund-raising,  
- ecumenical communities,  
- civil issues that may arise in this context, etc.

Chancery staff who advise their bishop on these matters will benefit and are encouraged to attend.
## Pre-Convention Schedule

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## Convention Schedule

**Please note:** Unless otherwise noted, all meal/beverage offerings listed are provided with your registration fee, including lunch on Tuesday.

### Monday, October 12, 2015

12pm 2015-2016 Committee Chair Luncheon *(by invitation)*

1pm Registration Begins and Exhibits Open

4pm Opening Prayer and Welcome

*Remarks: Most Rev. David A. Zubik, Bishop of Pittsburgh*

4:30pm Keynote Address

**Become What You Are: Doctrinal Insights and Practical Applications of Communio Following the Second Vatican Council**


This presentation will address the Second Vatican Council’s mandate to build *communio* within our Church. The Council, and, subsequently, the *Code of Canon Law*, provided guidance on structures that would promote the expression of *communio*. The presentation will also consider the Trinitarian character of *communio* and its external expression as well as the wonderful and necessary diversity that characterizes the Church as a *communio* of believers.

6pm Opening Reception
Tuesday, October 13, 2015

7:30am   Liturgy for the Deceased Members of the CLSA
8am     Continental Breakfast
9am     Seminars

Rev. Jaimes Ponce, JCD

It is often claimed that grave lack of discretion of judgment is one of the most widely used grounds of nullity by tribunals around the world while investigating the validity of the matrimonial bond. The Roman Rota, in order to guide lower tribunals in the application of this ground of nullity, has often provided guidelines about the interpretation of canon 1095, 2°. This presentation, therefore, will focus on the differences between Rotal jurisprudence and the jurisprudence coined by American tribunals regarding this ground of nullity, especially as it pertains to lack of internal freedom.

A2. The Use of Electronic Media in Church Structures
Michael Nobel, JCL, PhD

This presentation will first analyze various forms of online publications with reference to Book III of CIC: Diocesan Website, Publication, and Approval. Second, the seminar will explore online discussions and blogs, and related privacy concerns. Third, the presenter will offer an in-depth look at the possibility of using video-conferences: vote at Presbyteral Council, deliberation of judges, and votum via video-conference.

A3. Canon 245 and the Powerful Spiritual Leadership of an Intentional Presbyterate
Rev. Ronald Knott, D.Min

The speaker will share 10-12 insights, gained from teaching presbyteral theology in the seminary (and sharing it with several seminaries) and leading over 100 priest convocations in eight countries on the subject of communio in the presbyterate.

A4. A Tale of Two Tribunals: Tribunal Management Then and Now
Very Rev. Anthony E. Bawyn, JCD
Kelly E. O’Donnell, JCD

Today in many diocesan tribunals the judicial vicar shares management duties with an administrator, a director or a team. This seminar will look at the theological and canonical foundations for this structure, consider the reasons,
both historical and contemporary, for adopting such a model, discuss several practical details for this collaboration in today’s tribunal and raise questions to help this configuration fit within the structure of a diocese.

10:30am    Coffee and Tea Break
11am    Seminars

B1.  **Elements in Writing a Sentence in Matrimonial Cases**  
*Rev. Thomas E. Cronkleton, Jr., JCD*

This presentation will explore the requirement of the Codes and *Dignitas connubii* in the composition of a sentence, will examine the practice of the Rota, and will offer some practical suggestion in sentence composition.

*Sr. Sharon A. Euart, R.S.M., JCD*

Focusing on one of the relatively new, but increasingly important consultative structures in the life of the Church, this presentation will address consultation in the Church and its relationship to ecclesial communion, the nature and role of the diocesan or religious review board, and the relationship of the review board to the bishop or superior. The presentation will include some practical suggestions for the operation of review boards.

B3.  **Parish Membership and Territoriality**  
*Very Rev. Lawrence DiNardo, JCL*

“Never heard of parish boundaries! Are you telling me where I can go to Church? I want the Bishop/Pope to give me permission to join another parish. I have never moved but I have been in three parishes in the last twenty-five years.” These could be frequently declared statements about parish membership and territoriality. This seminar will explore canons 515-518: the past, the present situations, and possible future models. As we explore new models of delivery of ministry, parish membership and parish boundaries will always be part of the discussion.

B4.  **Financial Irresponsibility and its Impact on the *Communio* of Marriage: from Simple Facts to Juridic Facts**  
*Timothy J. Cavanaugh, JCL*

Marriage is “for richer or for poorer,” but by some measures financial problems are the leading cause of marital breakdown. On the other hand, financial responsibility is not directly related to the essential rights and obligations of the marital covenant. This presentation will use financial irresponsibility in marriage as a case study in the canonist’s task of translating simple facts into juridic facts.
12:30pm  Buffet Lunch
1:30pm  Candidate Forum
2:30pm  Seminars

C1.  **Canon 1095, 2°: Lack of Internal Freedom on Matrimonial Consent: An Analysis of Rotal Jurisprudence and American Decisions (REPEAT)**  
*Rev. Jaimes Ponce, JCD*

This seminar is a repeated offering; please see the full description on page 5.

C2.  **Transitioning Sponsorship with Regard to Religious Institutes**  
*Br. Patrick T. Shea, O.F.M, JD, JCD*

Changing circumstances call for changes in the relationship between religious institutes and the apostolates they sponsor. The presentation will discuss the concept of sponsorship and the relationship of a religious institute to apostolates. It will also analyze the factors of liability, declining numbers of religious and the populations they serve, and financial concerns.

C3.  **Review of First Instance Decisions in Second Instance**  
*Rev. Msgr. Roch Pagé, JCD*

After reflecting briefly on the proposal of some Synod Fathers last October concerning the mandatory appeal of affirmative sentences of first instance, this seminar will present an overview of the task of an appeal tribunal with an application to the Canadian experience. Then, different questions of procedure from first instance tribunals will be raised and discussed.

C4.  **To Care for Church Property Today: Canonical Responses to Common Contemporary Challenges**  
*Rev. Msgr. John A. Renken, JCD*

This seminar addresses several significant challenges in the contemporary care of ecclesiastical goods. Topics will include the four-fold aspects of ownership of temporal goods (acquisition, retention, administration, alienation) and collaboration with others in these aspects; the “protective” notion of stable patrimony and its legitimate designation; acts of extraordinary administration *iure universali* and *iure particulari*; canon 1295 transactions; the establishment, modifications, and civil incorporation of public juridic persons; diocesan particular law governing the care of Church property; the delict of financial malfeasance.

4pm  Break
4:30pm  Budget Report & Open Hearing on Resolutions
6pm Alumni Receptions

Wednesday, October 14, 2015

8am Continental Breakfast

9am Major Address

Cardinal Momentum in Marital Theology

*Very Rev. Anthony Kerin JCL, EV, PP*

The twenty-first century is just fifteen years old but already it is an uncomfortable place for many in the Church. We should be grateful we live in an uncomfortable age, for no progress, no breakthrough, no advance of any worth is made by those who are comfortable. How does the teaching of Vatican II influence the institution of Marriage in such a milieu? What can we as canonists, pastors, teachers and tribunal staff learn from this? Insights will emerge as we explore, first, the pastoral theology of marriage in the lead-up to the event of Vatican II; secondly, the impact of its teaching in the last century and thirdly, what has, should, and yet may happen, in the twenty-first century. We will conclude with a few remarks about the fourteenth Synod of Bishops.

10:30am Coffee and Tea Break

11am Seventy-Seventh Annual Business Meeting

12:30pm Lunch *(on your own)*

1:30pm Second Instance Judicial Vicars’ Meeting; Chancellors’ Meeting *(Locations TBD)*

2:30pm Seminars

**D1. Elements in Writing a Sentence in Matrimonial Cases (REPEAT)**

*Rev. Thomas E. Cronkleton, Jr., JCD*

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**D2. Models of Effective Consultation for Parish and Diocesan Leaders**

*Most Rev. Charles C. Thompson, D.D., JCL*

*Dr. Brian B. Reynolds, Ed.D*

Good consultation skills are important tools for pastoral leaders to use when making decisions. Consultation and/or consent, often required in Church law, are necessary and beneficial when leaders are preparing to implement change. When used correctly, such skills cannot only reduce conflicts but build support for any initiative. This session will provide an overview of effective methods of consultation and will offer practical examples of when these approaches have been used in diocesan and parish settings.
D3. **Interecclesial Structures in the Eastern Code**  
*Rev. Jobe J. Abbass, O.F.M. Conv., JCD*

Are Church structures limited to those found in the Latin Church and the *Code of Canon Law*? As the *Code of Canons of the Eastern Churches* turns twenty-five, this seminar identifies interecclesial structures in the Eastern Code that include the participation also of the Latin Church. Although *CIC* does not foresee such interecclesial structures, *CCEO* expressly intends them for the future of the Catholic Church.

D4. **Did Error of Law Influence a Person’s Consent?**  
*Lynda Robitaille, JCD*

Is a person in error able to recognize his or her error? If not, how does the person speak of it to the Tribunal? How does the Tribunal evaluate it?

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**Thursday, October 15, 2015**

5pm  
**Liturgies and Installation of Board of Governors**  
*Epiphany Catholic Church*  
184 Washington Place  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

6:30pm  
**Reception (cash bar)**

7:30pm  
**Banquet Dinner**

7:30am  
**Liturgy**

8am  
**Continental Breakfast**

9am  
**Major Address**  
*The Reciprocal Impact of the Local Church and the Universal Communion: Global Perspective*  
*Most Rev. Bernard A. Hebda, JCL, JD*

Responding to the conciliar vision of a Church that is at the same time local and universal, the 1983 *Code of Canon Law* attempted to balance the desire to maintain a common discipline that would preserve the unity of a global Church with the desire to allow for appropriate local adaptations that would enable the Church to thrive and evangelize in the diversity of cultures and contexts in which the Gospel has taken root. The presentation will examine how that balance has in part been served by canon 455 of the 1983 Code and by the competencies attributed to the Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts by the Apostolic Constitution *Pastor bonus*.

10:30am  
**Closing**
Registration & Fees  All amounts listed below are USD.

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Early Bird

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Candidates for Office

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DR. DIANE L. BARR
CHANCELLOR, ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE

Education
• JCD, Saint Paul University, 1992
• JD, College of Law, University of Idaho, 1983

Current Ministerial Experience
• Chancellor (November 2008-present)
• Staff to College of Consultants, Presbyteral Council, Diocesan Review Board & Archdiocesan Ethics Committee
• Member, Board of Financial Administration
• Promoter of Justice, Metropolitan Tribunal
• Canonical Consultant for civil legal issues, marriage, sexual misconduct (1992-present)

Prior Ministerial Experience
• Court Administrator/Judge, Metropolitan Tribunal of Atlanta (Jan. 2006-Oct. 2008)
• Director of the Office of Canonical Affairs, Diocese of Boise (June 1992-August 2002)
• Judge, Promoter of Justice and Defender of the Bond, Diocese of Boise (1983-2002)

Service to the Society
• Member since 1984
• Member, Task Force on Matrimonial Procedures (December 2014-present)
• Member/Chair, Nominations Committee (2009-2012)
• Chair, Committee on Advocacy Procedures Task Force (2006-2008)
• Member, Laity Committee (2005-2006)
• Member, Special Task Force on Canonical Aspects on Questions Regarding the Abuse of Minors (2002-2006)
• Chair, Canon Law-Civil Law Committee (2001-2003)
• Member, Board of Governors (1995-1997)
• Presenter, national/regional canon law conventions (1992-present)

REV. BRUCE MILLER
JUDICIAL VICAR, DIOCESE OF ALEXANDRIA

Ordained
• Priest of the Diocese of Alexandria, 1977

Education
• JCL, The Catholic University of America, 1986

Current Ministerial Experience
• Judicial Vicar (1986-present)
• Pastor (1986-present)
• Episcopalian Vicar (2006-present)
• Member, Consultants, Diocese of Alexandria
• Member, Presbytery Council
• Member, Diocesan Finance Council
• Member, Diocesan Building Review Committee
• Member, Clergy Personnel Advisory Council
• Member, Priests Pension Fund Committee

Prior Ministerial Experience
• Apostolates: A.C.T.S. Spiritual Director, Hispanic Ministry, traditional retreats and missions, Prepare-Enrich (Life Innovations, Inc. Trainer since 1992)
• Knights of: Peter Claver, Columbus, and Holy Sepulchre
• Founder: Cane River Children’s Services, Inc., The Catholic Foundation of North-Central Louisiana, Inc., Caring People’s Free Pharmacy, Inc.

Service to the Society
• Member since 1985
• Chair, Task Force on Matrimonial Procedures (December 2014-present)
• Member/Chair, Sacramental Law Committee
Rev. Anthony Bawyn
Judicial Vicar, Archdiocese of Seattle

Ordained
• Priest of the Archdiocese of Seattle, 1982

Education
• JCL, Catholic University of Louvain, 1992
• JCD, Catholic University of Louvain, 2000

Current Ministerial Experience
• Judicial Vicar (2000-present)
• Parish Priest, St. Anne Church, Seattle, WA (2013-present)
• Chair, Archdiocesan Priest Pension Plan and Health Plan Boards (2011-present)
• Faculty, Archdiocesan Deacon Formation Program (2005-present)
• Presenter, Archdiocesan Clergy Formation Program (1992-present)
• Presenter, Seattle Metropolitan Tribunal Marriage Advocate Training (2000-present)

Prior Ministerial Experience
• Archdiocesan Canonical Consultant (1992-1996)
• Guest lecturer, Faculty of Canon Law, Catholic University of Louvain (2008, 2011)
• Presenter, Northwest Regional Canon Law Conference (2004, 2010)
• Presenter, Conference of Canonists and Chancery Officials of the Provinces of New Orleans and Mobile, 2009

Deborah M. Cerullo, SSND
Attorney and Canonist

Education
• JCL, Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas, 1997
• JD, Boston University School of Law, 1980

Current Ministerial Experience
• Principal Attorney and Canonist with the Law Office of Deborah M. Cerullo SSND, working primarily with Catholic religious institutes and their sponsored works
• Faculty, Institute of Law and Religious Life, Misericordia University (2007-present)

Prior Ministerial Experience
• Executive Director, The Communities’ Law Center, Hartford, CT
• Visiting Faculty, Legal Assistance Bureau, Boston College Law School
• Adjunct, Canon Law, Boston College Law School
• Faculty, Legal Aid Clinic, University of Notre Dame Law School

Service to CLSA
• Member since 1998

Service to CLSA
• Member since 1991
• Member, Convention Planning Committee, 2007-2010
• Presenter, Seminar, 2015: Tribunal Management: A Tale of Two Tribunals
• Presenter, Pre-Convention Workshop, 2008: Simulation: What Is It That You Really Want?
Candidates for Office

**Office of Consultor**

**DR. MARIE T. HILLIARD**

**DIRECTOR OF BIOETHICS & PUBLIC POLICY, THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC BIOETHICS CENTER**

**Education**
- JCL, The Catholic University of America, 2003
- MS, Boston University
- MA, Hartford Seminary
- PhD, University of Connecticut
- RN (CT, DC, DE, MA, PA)

**Current Ministerial Experience**
- Director of Bioethics and Public Policy, The National Catholic Bioethics Center
- Member & past Vice-Chair, Committee to Protect Young Persons, Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA; Colonel, Ret., USA, 20 years’ service
- Chair, Ethics & Public Policy Committee, National Catholic Partnership on Disability
- Board of Directors and Faculty, Holy Apostles College & Seminary, CT
- Bioethics Advisory Committee, University of Mary, Bismarck
- Advisory Council for the Center for the Study of Human Dignity & Ethics in Health Care, Aquinas College
- Board Member & past Chair, Ethics and Spirituality Committee, National Association of Catholic Nurses-U.S.A.

**Prior Ministerial Experience**
- Chair, USCCB National Advisory Council
- Executive Director, CT Catholic Conference
- Ethics Committee, Franciscan Home and Hospice Care, CT
- Chair, Archdiocese of Hartford Commission for Justice and Peace

**Service to the Society**
- Member since 1998
- Chair, Committee on Laity (2013-present)
- Contributor, *Roman Replies and CLSA Advisory Opinions*, 2014
- Member, Eastern Region (2009-present)

**Very Reverend KENNETH A. RILEY**

**CHANCELLOR, DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY-ST. JOSEPH**

**Ordained**
- Priest of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, 1992

**Education**
- JCL, The Catholic University of America, 2004

**Current Ministerial Experience**
- Delegate of Apostolic Administrator (April 2015-present)
- Moderator of the Curia (June 2012-present)
- Bishop’s Administrative Cabinet (June 2012-present)
- Chancellor (August 2014-present)
- Judicial Vicar (June 2012-present)
- College of Consultors (October 2012-present)
- Catholic Cemeteries Board of Directors (October 2014-present)

**Prior Ministerial Experience**
- Vice Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, June 23, 2012- August 2014
- Promoter of Justice (2009-2012)
- Defender of the Bond (2005-2012)
- Pastor/Associate Pastor (1992-2012)
- Catholic Media Professionals, Founder/Facilitator; 2005-2012 (hiatus)

**Service to the Society**
- Member since 2001
- Committee on Clergy (2012-present)
- Contributor, *Roman Replies and CLSA Advisory Opinions*, 2010
Convention Registration Fees
Registration fees include receipt of convention materials as well as entrance to all presentations; the cocktail reception on Monday; the continental breakfast Tuesday through Thursday; the buffet lunch Tuesday; and a banquet dinner Wednesday night. Please note: Early Bird Registration ends September 4, 2015.

Online registration is available at www.clsa.org/2015convention. If you would like to register for one day only, please email ccrawford@clsa.org for fees.

Registration Payments
Payments may be made by check or by Visa/MasterCard. Registrations paid by credit card must be completed online or by calling (202) 832-2350 to ensure the security of all credit card transactions.

Registrations paid by check must be mailed with a completed registration form to Canon Law Society of America, 3025 4th St. NE, Suite 111, Washington, DC 20017. Processed registrations will be acknowledged with a confirmation email.

Cancellation Policy
Registration fees will be refunded in their entirety for all cancellations requested by September 4, 2015. Fifty percent (50%) of the registration fee will be refunded for cancellations made between September 5 and September 21, 2015. No refunds will be made for cancellations made on or after September 22, 2015. Requests may be made by emailing ccrawford@clsa.org.

Room Reservations
The 2015 Convention will be held at the Westin Convention Center Pittsburgh, 1000 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. The room rate for attendees is $164 for a standard king or (2) double beds, or $224 for a corner suite. Rates do not include applicable state and local taxes.

To reserve hotel rooms, please visit www.clsa.org/2015convention or call (412) 560-6365. Mention the CLSA convention when calling. Attendees are encouraged to make reservations as soon as possible; discounted room rates are only secured until September 4, 2015. Please book as early as possible to ensure your choice of room.

Guests may check-in at 3:00pm. Check-out is at 12:00pm.

Airline Travel
The Westin Convention Center is located 19 miles from Pittsburgh International Airport (PIT). Convenient options for transport between airport and hotel include SuperShuttle ($24 one-way/$46 round-trip), Yellow Cab Company (approx. $45 one-way), and the Airport Flyer Bus ($3.25 one-way). Please note: The bus operates between the airport and the downtown area every 20 minutes. Its closest drop-off is at the intersection of Liberty Avenue and Wood Street, a short walk from the hotel (0.2 miles away).

Allegheny County Airport (AGC) is located 18 miles from the Westin Convention Center Pittsburgh, and is accessible by SuperShuttle, taxi, and Star Transportation Group.

Pittsburgh’s Union Station, home to Amtrak train service, is located across the street from the hotel and within walking distance.

Hotel Parking
Under separate management than the Westin Convention Center, the parking garage is conveniently located underneath the hotel at the main entrance. Both self-parking ($22) and valet parking ($26) are available at overnight rates for vehicles up to 6’ in height. Please contact the hotel for more details.

Questions
If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the Executive Coordinator at ccrawford@clsa.org or (202) 832-2350. •
The Resolutions Committee encourages members to submit resolutions by August 28, 2015, for consideration at the 2015 Annual Business Meeting.

Please visit [www.clsao.org/2015resolution](http://www.clsao.org/2015resolution) for guidelines and a resolution form. You may either download, print, and mail a resolution form, or submit your resolution online through our website. Please note: You must be logged in to access the Resolutions page.

All proposed resolutions are subject to review by the committee. If changes are necessary, the Chairperson will contact the author for further discussion. Clarifications, modifications and amendments may also be made to the resolution by CLSA members, with the concurrence of the author(s), at the Resolutions Hearing and the Annual Business Meeting.

Resolutions received by August 28 will be printed in the September CLSA eNewsletter. Upon reviewing these resolutions, members are encouraged to send remarks to the Chairperson.
Registration Form

Early Bird Registration ends September 4, 2015

Participant Information: all fields are required

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Pre-Convention Workshops: October 11-12 ($275 fee per person)

For a full description of each workshop, see page 4 of this booklet. There is a $275 fee for attendance. Please select one workshop:

□ W1. Instructing Marriage Nullity Cases: Discovering the Truth, Identifying the Void, Presented by Very Rev. Paul Counce

□ W2. New Institutes and Forms of Consecrated Life Emerging in your Arch/Diocese: A Pastoral-Canonical Approach, Presented by Sr. Amy Hereford, CSJ; Sr. Karla Felix-Rivera, VDMF; Christina Hip-Flores, Consecrated Virgin

Convention Banquet: Wednesday, October 14 (no add. fee)

Do you plan on attending the banquet (no additional fee)? □ YES □ NO

Will you be bringing a guest to the banquet ($60/guest)? □ YES □ NO

Seminars: Tuesday, October 14 and Wednesday, October 15

Select the seminars you plan to attend; this helps with assigning appropriate room sizes for each session. See pages 5-11 for titles and descriptions.

Tuesday, October 13, 9:00am: □ A1 □ A2 □ A3 □ A4

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Tuesday, October 13, 2:30pm: □ C1 □ C2 □ C3 □ C4

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**Payment Summary:**

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Most Rev. Bernard A. Hebda, JCL, JD, Coadjutor Archbishop of Newark, New Jersey

**Seminars**

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Rev. Anthony Bawyn, JCD, Judicial Vicar, Archdiocese of Seattle, Washington

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