# Secretary of the Convention

Records minutes, enters them in the Journal, and, under the supervision of the Bishop, attends to the publication and distribution of the Journal, and performs other duties as prescribed in the Diocesan Constitution and Canons. Chairs the Committee on Convention Plans for planning the agenda and making physical arrangements for the Convention. Maintains various directories of Diocesan officers, commissions, departments, etc. **Vote for**: one (1) Lay or Clergy Nominee, for a one-year term.

## Secretary of the Convention – Clergy or Lay (Ballot I)

**Nominee:** Annalise Pasalo
**Church:** St. Andrew's, Honolulu, O'ahu
**Occupation:** Clergy

**Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:**

1. Secretary to Convention, The Episcopal Church in Hawai'i, 2020-Present
2. The Patsy T. Mink Leadership Alliance "Mink Leader" Cohort 9, YWCA Hawai'i, 2024
3. Mentor to the Official Youth Presence at the 79th General Convention of the Episcopal Church- 2018

**What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai'i for which you have been nominated)?**

I have served as Secretary of Convention for the last several years. Before serving as Secretary of Convention, I served as the Chair of dispatch of business. I have participated in General Convention mentoring the Official Youth Presence. I have worked closely with the Episcopal Office of the United Nations and worked to advocate on behalf of the Episcopal Church using the General Convention resolutions on a global stage. I have a passion for church governance as ministry and helping others to understand how they can be involved in this aspect of church life. I hope to share this passion and support The Episcopal Church in Hawai'i as we begin a new season of life together.

**What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years?**

The single greatest opportunity for mission open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years is expanding community partnerships and collaborating with both interfaith and ecumenical organizations. By supporting effective ministries that are already operating and expanding our relationships with other groups who share common goals, we will have a greater impact on life in the islands and beyond. This also helps us to live into our baptismal covenant and the commitment we have made to seek and serve God in all persons.

**What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now?**

My single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai‘i is how we approach change. We have to be open to doing things differently and to exploring the “why” behind the decisions we are making, all while listening to the ways the Spirit is calling us to be the church in the world-as it is now.

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