

ACTION OUTLINE #9 ELDERS OR ORDAINED CLERGY FROM OTHER DENOMINATIONS SERVING IN ANNUAL CONFERENCE BOUNDS

Action:

No action required by the dCOM, although the district superintendent and the dCOM may agree to interview these persons annually. The district superintendent forwards to the BOM registrar the names of all ministers in good standing in other Christian denominations who are serving or who are about to serve appointments or ecumenical ministries within the bounds of the annual conference while retaining their denominational affiliations, provided they:

- 1. Present suitable credentials
- 2. Give assurance of their Christian faith, experience, and qualifications
- 3. Give evidence of their agreement with and willingness to support and maintain United Methodist doctrine, discipline, and polity.
- 4. Release all psychological reports, background checks, and credit checks.
- 5. Submit notarized statement related to sexual misconduct and child abuse.

Note: Ordination credentials shall be examined by the bishop and the BOM before being presented to the executive session of annual conference (see ¶346.2).