

Stated Clerk/General Presbyter Report  
Blackhawk Presbytery meeting  
April 10, 2018

Request from 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church, Elgin, IL.

The Session of 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church, Elgin, IL. is requesting a waiver of G-2.0404 limiting Terms of Service to six consecutive years for their Board of Deacons.

General Presbyter/ Stated Clerk Report

- Advised/counseled/coached/pastored sessions and pastors concerning various issues.
- Member Illinois Conference of Churches Public Policy Committee
- Preached at Freeport, Woodstock, Middle Creek, Gibson City
- Staff the Commission on Ministry, Nominating Committee, Mission, Business Affairs Committee, Council, Presbytery Assembly Planning Committee and Trustees
- Assist churches searching for interim/transitional pastors and Pastor Nominating Committees, performed computer matching for Pastor Nominating Committees to consider, conducted background checks on finalists and consulted with the PNCs and COM as needed.
- I give background and reference checks when called by other Presbyteries.
- Working with Trustees and Presbyterian Foundation in assessing and reallocating long-term funds for better returns
- Trained people to lead Missional Analysis Process (M.A.P.) in congregations in transition.
- Consulted with a Session regarding future of the church and leadership options.
- Session Records update:  
    Approved with Exception  
    First Presbyterian Church, Elgin

2017 Necrology Report with Addendum is attached

Healthy Boundaries and Ethics Training, (now required of all people in pastoral ministry in Blackhawk Presbytery) follows today's Presbytery Assembly meeting

1. Please sign in on special registration sheets – these will be kept by the Presbytery as proof of attendance
2. Pick up a packet
3. Certificates of Completion will be available for attendees at the end of the day's presentation