



**The Honorable John Antoon
Candidate for Diocesan Board
Lay Order**

I am a communicant at St. Mary of the Angels in Belle Isle, Florida. My wife and I became Episcopalians when our daughter was born in 1996. Before moving to Orlando 2000, we were members at St. James Episcopal Church in Ormond Beach, Florida.

At St. Mary, I served as chair of a discernment committee and as senior warden. During my tenure as senior warden, the church entered into a contract with Father Andrew Petiprin, the rector at St. Mary. Also, during that time I was fortunate to have the opportunity to work with Bishop John W. Howe and Canon Ernie Bennett. I currently sit as a lay member of the Diocesan Board.

My family moved to Brevard County in 1962, and except for college, graduate school, and a tour with the United States Army, I have been a resident of Central Florida since. My education resulted in the following degrees: bachelor's (history), a master's (government contracts), a juris doctor, and an LLM (master's degree in law). January 2015, I will have completed thirty years as a judge, and I currently serve as a Senior United States District Judge in Orlando. During my professional career, I have belonged to various service organizations and served on many committees. My leadership positions include: President of the Brevard County Bar Association, Chair-elect of the Florida Conference of Circuit Judges, President of the Florida Conference of Appellate Judges, Chief Judge of the 18th Judicial Circuit, and Chief Judge of the 5th District Court of Appeal. Since taking senior status, I have more time to devote to my church. It is my hope to lend my experience and modest talents to the service of the Christian outreach of the Diocese and to the work of Bishop Brewer.