

**Standing Rules as of the 833<sup>rd</sup> Meeting  
March 28, 2009**

[732-2] (VIII.9-6)

**Waiver of requirement for approval of outside clergy employment**

[732, June 1990]

{Approval not required for Teaching 1 course, consulting, and writing, all if less than 8 hours per week.} Called XVIII-1 on-line and approved as XVIII-3.

“The following outside employment does not need prior approval provided it does not detract from the pastoral call: adjunct teaching, provided no more than one course is taught at one time; consulting, provided it involves pastoral or ministerial skills; counseling; and writing, providing that the total time devoted to such activity does not exceed 8 hours per week.”

[741-1] (VIII.5-1)

**Special Organizations recognized by the Presbytery of Baltimore**

[717, amended 741, Jan 25, 1992]

{Provides for such organizations; requires annual reports to the Clerk in October.}

“Special Organizations: Members of particular churches and ministers of the Word and Sacrament within the Presbytery may associate together in an independent organization to conduct special tasks of witness, service, or nurture. These Special Organizations are independent, autonomous groups, which are not official agencies of the Presbytery. They alone bear responsibility for their views and actions. These organizations also bear responsibility to the Church and shall respect the authority of the Presbytery in matters affecting decency, order, peace, and unity of the Church. In addition to the responsibility of these organizations to the Presbytery, individual members of such organizations remain subject to the discipline of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Special Organizations which include in their membership members of more than one church in the Presbytery that desire to be recognized by the Presbytery shall submit an annual report of not more than one page to the Stated Clerk in October of each year. The Stated Clerk shall refer the report to the Committee on Administration, which shall submit it to the Presbytery with a recommendation that it be accepted or not accepted. If the report is accepted, the Presbytery recognizes that organization. If not, the Presbytery does not.

The Stated Clerk shall keep a record of those Special Organizations whose most recent annual report has been accepted by the Presbytery, and these shall be

referred to as “Presbytery of Baltimore Special Organization.” Such an organization may refer to itself as a Special Organization recognized by the Presbytery of Baltimore.”