

# **Permanent Judicial Commission**

(Presbytery of New Harmony approved 2-23-19)

**Purpose:** The **Permanent Judicial Commission (PJC)** shall adjudicate disciplinary and remedial cases for The Presbytery of New Harmony (NHP) which may come before it, using the Rules of Discipline (D-5.0000) found in the Book of Order of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

**Accountability:** The PJC shall be accountable to NHP and the Permanent Judicial Commission of the synod.

**Membership:** PJC shall consist of seven (7) voting member, comprised of ministers of Word and Sacrament and ruling elders in numbers as nearly equal as possible, nominated by the Committee on Representation and Nominations and elected by NHP preferably with knowledge of Reformed theology, Presbyterian polity and the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), in particular the Rules of Discipline. The bi-annual term of service is six (6) years with the eligibility to serve another term only after four (4) years have passed. As per the Book of Order, the moderator and clerk shall be nominated and elected by the PJC for a two (2) year term which may be renewable. The Stated Clerk shall resource the PJC as appropriate.

**Meetings:** The PJC shall meet as necessary.

## **Responsibilities:**

1. Carry out the task as outlined in the Rules of Discipline (D-5.0000) of the Book of Order of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).