

**Stated Clerk's Report**  
for the July 28, 2018 meeting of  
Lowcountry Presbytery

1. **Correspondence:**

- a. Provided a forecast estimate of expected attendance at the July 28 stated meeting for the benefit of the host church.
- b. Received the list of BCO amendments passed by the 46<sup>th</sup> General Assembly and sent to Presbyteries for a vote. Forwarded the list to TE Mark Turner for inclusion in the docket.
- c. Received an appeal letter from the Campus Ministries Committee and forwarded it to all presbyters at the committee's request.
- d. Provided updates to TE Sam Joyner on Presbytery giving to the RUF South Carolina State/Claflin Startup campaign.
- e. Spoke with TE Bill McCutcheon regarding appropriate actions in response to the actions of Savannah River Presbytery with respect to the church plant of Independent Presbyterian Church, Savannah in the Bluffton area. Facilitated Bill's conversation with TE Per Almquist, Stated Clerk of Northern New England Presbytery who is an expert on the BCO.
- f. Received a request from the Stated Clerk of Central Georgia Presbytery seeking input from elders of churches that have experienced rapid growth on how to handle it. I forwarded the request to all presbyters.

2. **Administration:**

- a. Updated Presbytery directory.
- b. Updated Presbytery email distribution lists.
- c. Handled appointments to Committees of Commissioners for the 46<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.

3. **Excused absence requests.** I have received excused absence requests from TE Danny Clarke (out of state meeting), TE Ross Hodges (sickness), TE Sam Joyner (vacation) and Tim Pitzer (missions trip). I have not received any excused absence requests from churches which are unable to send any ruling elders.

4. **Recommendations:** None

Respectfully submitted,  
TE Chris Bennett, Stated Clerk