

Resolution 5

PUBLICATION OF DISMISSAL

1 WHEREAS, The right of appeal, complete with details is mentioned in its appropriate
2 place at General Council Bylaws Article X. Discipline, Section 10. Right of
3 Appeal; and

4 WHEREAS, When it is mentioned a second time under Publication of Dismissal in
5 Section 11, yet without all the details, it can be misleading; and

6 WHEREAS, The intention of the statement in Section 11 is to clarify that the dismissal
7 should not be publicized until the thirty-day window is completed after
8 notification, giving the credential holder the right to appeal without public
9 announcement; and

10 WHEREAS, By stating “An additional thirty days” suggests confusion that there is
11 possibly a time frame beyond the first thirty days of the time limit within
12 which an appeal may be communicated, which is not the case; therefore,
13 be it

14 RESOLVED, That General Council Bylaws, ARTICLE X. DISCIPLINE, Section 11.
15 Publication of Dismissal, page 70, which reads:

16 No publication of a dismissed minister’s name, in print or electronically,
17 shall be made until the district has been advised by the office of the
18 general secretary that such has been authorized by the General Council
19 Credentials Committee. An additional thirty (30) days from the date of
20 the notification shall be given the dismissed minister to exercise the right
21 of appeal.

22 Be amended to read:

23 No publication of a dismissed minister’s name, in print or
24 electronically, shall be made until (1) the district has been advised by
25 the office of the general secretary that such has been authorized by the
26 General Council Credentials Committee and (2) the thirty (30) day right
27 of appeal has passed. ~~An additional thirty (30) days from the date of the~~
28 ~~notification shall be given the dismissed minister to exercise the right of~~
29 ~~appeal.~~

Sponsor: General Presbytery

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