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AMEND ¶ 610 by adding a new section 5 and renumbering the following sections accordingly, as follows:

¶ **610.5** *Membership Qualifications*—Members of all annual conference agencies shall be professing members of The United Methodist Church except as provided in succeeding paragraphs. Members of all annual conference agencies shall be persons of genuine Christian character who love the Church, are morally disciplined and loyal to the ethical standards of The United Methodist Church as set forth in the Social Principles, and are otherwise competent to serve as members of annual conference agencies.

Renumber current sections 5-7 accordingly.

Rationale: Members of annual conference agencies should have the same qualifications as those serving general church agencies. Having these qualifications clarifies what is expected of these members.