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# BILLET D'ÉTAT

WEDNESDAY, 28<sup>th</sup> JANUARY, 2026

ELECTION OF JURAT

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## TO THE MEMBERS OF THE STATES OF ELECTION OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

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I hereby give notice that a Meeting of the States of Election will be held at **THE ROYAL COURT HOUSE**, on **WEDNESDAY the 28<sup>th</sup> JANUARY** at **9.30 a.m.**, for the purpose of electing a Jurat in place of Jurat Steven Morris who will cease to be a Jurat on the 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 pursuant to section 10 of the Royal Court (Reform) (Guernsey) Law, 2008, as amended.

R. J. McMAHON  
Bailiff and Presiding Officer

The Royal Court House  
Guernsey

15<sup>th</sup> December, 2025

Nominations must be made in writing (the relevant forms are available at my office on request) and must be made and seconded by a Member of the States of Election or by a Douzenier<sup>1</sup> and must reach me by 4.00 p.m. on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2026. A nomination must be accompanied by a certificate in writing, signed by the candidate, stating his or her willingness to serve in the office of Jurat, if elected. Candidates are also invited to submit a form (which will be provided with the nomination form) containing background information about themselves. Completed forms will be copied to Members of the States of Election prior to the sitting of the States.

Persons who seek to be nominated for this most ancient and honourable of offices are advised, in the first instance, to contact my Secretary who can arrange for the person seeking nomination to meet a senior Jurat to discuss the commitments attached to this office.

The States of Election are constituted as follows:

The Bailiff (or Deputy Bailiff) (*who is counted in the quorum but does not have an original vote*)

The Jurats

The Rectors<sup>2, 3</sup>

H.M. Procureur

H.M. Comptroller

The People's Deputies

34 Douzaine Representatives elected for a particular meeting by their respective Douzaines, as follows:

10 from St. Peter Port,

5 from each of St. Sampson, the Vale and the Castel,

4 from St. Martin

1 from each of St. Saviour, St. Pierre du Bois, Torteval, the Forest and St. Andrew.

The Constables of the parishes are requested to convene their respective Douzaines for the purpose of electing, for the Meeting to be held on the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2026, the appropriate number of Douzaine Representatives and thereafter deliver to H.M. Greffier, not later than 3.00 p.m. on Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026, a certificate signed by the Constables certifying the full names of the Douzaine Representatives so elected. If the certificate is not delivered by hand the person transmitting the certificate should verify with H.M. Greffier that it has been received.

Notice of nominations will be posted, upon receipt, in the lobby of the Royal Court and, when the period for receiving nominations has expired, a further notice listing all the nominations received will be published in *La Gazette Officielle*.

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<sup>1</sup> Article 24 of the Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948, as amended states that "... the expressions 'Douzenier' and 'Douzaine Representative' shall include a Constable of the Parish ...".

<sup>2</sup> The proviso to Article 4(2) of the Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948, as amended provides that a Rector shall not sit in the States of Election unless he shall have had his ordinary place of residence in Guernsey for the 12 months immediately preceding the date of the election.

<sup>3</sup> The Priests-in-Charge (Assimilation to Rectors) (Guernsey) Law, 1999 provides that a priest licensed as priest-in-charge of any of the ten ancient parishes is deemed for all civil law purposes to be the Rector of that parish.