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M. J. Fallaize, (*indisposé*); L. B. Queripel, (*indisposé*);

Deputy S. T. Hansmann Rouxel (*relevée à 09h 37*);

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States of Election

The States of Election met at 9.30 a.m.

[THE BAILIFF *in the Chair*]

PRAYER

The Deputy Senior Greffier

EVOCAATION

CONVOCAATION

The Deputy Senior Greffier: Billet d'État XIX of 2019. To the Members of the States of Election of the Island of Guernsey, I hereby give notice that a meeting of the States of Election will be held at the Royal Court House on Wednesday, 16th October at 9.30 a.m. for the purpose of electing a Jurat in place of Jurat Barbara Jean Bartie who, pursuant to section 5(1) of the Royal Court of Guernsey (Miscellaneous Reform Provisions) Law, 1950, will cease to hold office by reason of age on 3rd October, 2019.

Billet d'État XIX

Election of a Jurat – Paul Martin Burnard elected

The Bailiff: And Deputy Hansmann-Rouxel, do you wish to be relevée?

10 **Deputy Hansmann-Rouxel:** Yes, thank you, sir.

The Bailiff: Well, good morning everybody and a very warm welcome to this sitting of the States of Election, thank you very much all for attending.

15 I have received two nominations for the vacant office of Jurat, that of Paul Martin Burnard, proposed by Deputy L. S. Trott and seconded by Deputy P. T. L. Ferbrache, and that of Jonathan Richard Beck, proposed by Deputy H. L. de Sausmarez and seconded by Deputy M. K. Le Clerc.

I invite first the proposer of Mr Burnard, Deputy Trott, to address the Assembly.

20 **Deputy Trott:** Thank you, sir.

Sir, Members of the States of Election, John Adams was the second President of the United States of America. He was also interestingly the first President to live in the White House. As a lawyer, Adams was famous for his dedication, not always fashionable in the 18th century, to the principle of presumption of innocence. The reason for referencing Adams is to provide context for his much remembered comments from 250 years ago that, and I quote:

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It is not only [the juror's] right, but his duty ... to find the verdict according to his own best understanding, judgment and conscience ...

25 Now sir, with the addition of 'her duty', those words ring as true today as they did then and it is why this States of Election must elect our community's Jurats with care and diligence.

Our community needs to be served by people of understanding, of judgment and of conscience – by people used to dealing with facts. Sir, Paul Burnard is such a person. In fact, I would argue he epitomises those values. He is the archetype Jurat and let me explain why.

30 Paul was born in Guernsey in 1954 and he has lived in Guernsey for just about all of his life. Now sir, that in itself demonstrates excellent judgement. (*Laughter*) But it also demonstrates that Paul is immersed in Guernsey. He knows and understands our community, our customs and our practices.

35 Since his early 20s Paul has been involved in various voluntary roles. He feels very strongly that if one is able, one should give back to the communities and organisations from which one benefits – a laudable commitment to serving the community, *our* community, and a lifetime of experience has been gained by Paul from that active commitment to public service.

40 Paul was educated at Vale Infant and Junior Schools, being awarded a scholarship to Elizabeth College in 1965, which was just about the time one of our other scholarship boys made-good, Deputy Ferbrache, would have been celebrating his 40th birthday. (*Laughter*) With age comes wisdom, sir.

45 Paul left college in December 1971, having obtained 10 O-levels, two AS-levels and one A-level. He settled on a career in accountancy and qualified as a chartered accountant in July 1979 whilst employed by a small local firm. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, having achieved that status in 1989. In 1987 he joined Reeves and Co. – now BDO Ltd – as a manager in the accounting and audit department. He remained at the firm for almost 30 years, rising through the ranks to become a partner with specific responsibility for local business services and human resources, recognising his commitment to our community and to developing and supporting people and colleagues.

50 Now sir, since retiring from BDO in spring 2017, Paul has held part-time roles as a finance manager/director for three local businesses, transferring his knowledge, skills and experience to others in our community who create prosperity. Paul's volunteering track record over the past 40 years is comprehensive and varied. In the late 1970s Paul established a youth club for under-13-year-olds at the Vale Church where he was a Sunday School teacher. Paul was also invited to join the Committee of Vale Recreation FC remaining there for 35 years, during which time he served as treasurer, vice-president and president, in addition to coaching for 18 years.

55 In 1982 Paul joined the Students and Training Committee of the Guernsey Society of Chartered and Certified Accountants becoming its chair in 1987 when he was elected to the Executive Committee of the Society. Now sir, when the Institute announced plans to close the Channel Islands' only examination centre in Jersey, Paul was successful in persuading them to abandon those plans, which if followed through would have resulted in all Channel Islands students travelling to the UK to sit their exams, and Paul remained on the Executive Committee until 1999, serving as secretary and vice-president. Heavily involved in organising the Society's first careers fair and its silver jubilee celebrations in 1997, he also represented the Society at committee meetings of the London Society.

65 Now sir, in the late 1980s Paul also volunteered as a support member for the Institute of Chartered Accountants and support members act as a listening ear for chartered accountants and their family members who are in any form of difficulty, whether business or personal. And quite often the support member acts as a signpost to other support services, but they also guide and assist members who are the subject of complaints through the Institute's disciplinary process. The support offered is confidential, non-judgemental and importantly, support members are exempt from the duty to report misconduct to the Institute. Support is provided primarily through face-to-face meetings.

75 Sir, Paul has served as secretary of the L'Ancrese Golf Club and he has also served a two-year period as treasurer of the Town Centre Partnership. He was elected Procureur in St Saviour in 2004, becoming a Douzenier in 2005 and serving as Vice Dean from 2009 to 2011, when he retired from the Douzaine to an increased workload with the Institute I have been referring to earlier.

80 Paul joined the States' Parole Review Committee in 2012, which has given him considerable insight into our judicial system. He is still on the Committee and deputises for the Chairman in his absence. Now Deputy Ferbrache, sir, who is far better qualified than I, will expand on this role later.

85 Apart from his support member and Parole Committee roles, his present voluntary work is exclusively connected with the Catholic Church in Guernsey, where he is acting chair of the parish council, organiser of a readers rota, line manager for the youth minister and treasurer of the Catenians – I think I have pronounced that right – the Catholic Men's Fellowship.

90 Paul has served this community for 40 years and has demonstrated through that time his understanding, his judgement and his conscience – the very attributes essential for serving the community as a Jurat. Paul is married to Deirdre and has two daughters, two stepsons and four grandsons, all of whom live locally. In 2013 Paul undertook a 160 mile charity walk from Stoke to Southampton, raising in excess of £10,000 for the Prialx Premature Baby Foundation which had supported his family following the premature birth of his first grandson in 2011 – who has thankfully grown to be a healthy and active seven-year-old.

John Adams also said that:

facts are stubborn things and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations or the dictates of our passion they cannot alter the state of ... evidence.

95 Paul's lifetime of public service and industry leadership makes him acutely aware of that, which in turn makes him an ideal candidate to serve our community as a Jurat. He has a depth of understanding, forged in our community. He has excellent judgment, forged in our community. And he has a strong conscience, forged in our community.

Sir, I commend Paul's candidacy as a Jurat to this States of Election.

100 **The Bailiff:** I invite the seconder of Mr Burnard, Deputy Ferbrache, to address the Assembly.

Deputy Ferbrache: Sir, it is always ... well, not normally difficult to follow the able words of Deputy Trott. But in this particular instance I would like to commend all the things that he said and just add a few.

105 Paul Burnard's qualities are too many to detail in a few minutes. He is a 20th century man in the sense that he was born in the 1950s, but he has carried the sense and the development of his character well into the 21st century.

110 Deputy Trott referred to John Adams. Unlike John Adams, I am hoping that Paul Burnard will be elected overwhelmingly, because John Adams was the second President of America, from 1797 to 1801, and he decided not to stand in 1801 because he realised he would be defeated by Thomas Jefferson. I am sure Paul Burnard will not be defeated by anybody, because he is a man of real quality, as Deputy Trott has said.

115 Deputy Trott has already referred to Mr Burnard's membership of the Parole Review Committee. That has a cardinal and important role in our judicial system because part of that Committee's duty to look at parole, to recommend and not recommend that people be released, to review their decisions. But Paul has done that for the last seven years with considerable diligence and, as Deputy Trott said, he steps in for the Chairman when the Chairman is not available. He has also, as a member of his professional body, been an *ex officio* member of their ethics committee. So he is steeped in ethical behaviour. He realises the standards that have to be achieved.

120 But let me say, there are three instances that I want to draw to the States of Election's attention in relation to Paul Burnard, because Deputy Trott and I talk the talk, but people like Paul Burnard,

and Paul Burnard in particular, actually walk the walk, and he has done that in relation to matters that he has attended to in relation to the Royal Court.

125 Sadly, age is advancing in me and I have been an advocate at the Royal Court for very many years, and there are three in particular instances where I can recall the value of Paul Burnard's contribution to the Royal Court. The first was a criminal case where I was defending two men charged with very substantial income tax fraud back in the early 1980s. In fact that case is memorable for three instances: firstly, it was prosecuted by de Vic Carey as he then was; secondly, 130 I won the case (*Laughter*); and thirdly in particular, the quality of the evidence I was given on a very, very complicated income tax prosecution where, of course, it was the might of the state and the Income Tax Authority had prepared it. I needed, so that justice could be done, quality advice from an accountant, and I approached two accountancy firms and *overwhelmingly* the quality of the information I received, which enabled me to present the case on behalf of these two 135 defendants, came from Paul Burnard.

Perhaps there is a fourth instance that I should remember, because de Vic Carey told me in relation to that case that one of my witnesses – not Mr Burnard – had recently been released from prison in Northern Ireland for making bombs. (*Laughter*) So, that case tended to stick in my memory.

140 The second case was a matrimonial case where my opponent was my very, very good friend, advocate Felicity Haskins. So there were two rather combative advocates on either side of that particular case; and it was a very complicated case because the husband had very detailed business interests and the phrase 'tangled web you weave' sprung to mind.

Again, Paul was engaged to give evidence in relation to that case and he explained what was a 145 myriad of complicated corporate matters to the Court in very simple language. And again, in my view, it made the judge's job much easier, because he explained complicated things in words of one or two syllables and in sentences that people could understand.

And the third instance was what I called a 'Champagne Charlie case', which was a not untypical civil case that comes to the Royal Court, where it comes, it ends up in the Royal Court because 150 there is some Guernsey corporate structure that has been used, but really it has got very little connection with Guernsey. We had all these swish accountants from all over the world, they were all wearing those suits that have those stripes down and they were all very learned men, and most of the Guernsey advocates – they were all very qualified and able people – but they came from exotic places like England and Australia.

155 So Paul Burnard and I were the two Guernsey representatives. We were in Guernsey, and again, it was *such* a complicated case. Paul gave evidence with absolute crystal clarity. He went through all these very complicated issues and he reduced them, because I have got to understand a case if I am presenting it in Court, I know the Jurats who have seen me appear may think that is not the case, (*Laughter*) but I have got to understand the case when I present it in Court. So whenever I 160 deal with an expert I have got to reduce what he or she says to simple sentences so that I can understand it. Paul was excellent. He impressed the Court not only with his knowledge, not only with the clarity of his evidence, but also with his overwhelming integrity. That was like a shining beacon on a dark night.

165 So I can say he has not only talked the talk, he has walked the walk, and he would be an excellent candidate and an excellent Jurat if he is so elected.

The Bailiff: I invite the proposer of Mr Beck, Deputy de Sausmarez, to address the Assembly.

Deputy de Saumarez: Thank you, Mr Bailiff and Members of the States of Election.

170 I am very pleased to propose Mr Jonathan Beck as Jurat of the Royal Court, because I think he has exactly the right personal qualities, intellectual attributes and professional expertise to make him uniquely suited to the role. That role is, as we all know, an ancient one. But the world in which Jurats must exercise their judgment is very much that of the 21st century.

Jonathan has just turned 40, so as well as his highly relevant skillset and broad knowledge
175 base, he would bring to the Jurats' Bench that useful and complementary perspective. The fact
that Jonathan can commit to the role of Jurat at a relatively young age is testament to the fact
that he has fast-tracked his career through focus, application and energy.

Although he was given an unconditional offer to study at university, Jonathan was keen to start
work straightaway. So he moved directly from Elizabeth College into the finance sector,
180 specifically insurance. It is fitting that this highflier started out as an underwriter in the aviation
industry. His feet stayed firmly on the ground though, dealing very early in his career with the
Channel Express F27 that came down in Guernsey in 1999, the Concorde crash of 2000, and the
appalling loss that was 9/11 in 2001. From there he moved into sports personal accident insurance
including the likes of Formula 1 world champions, for example, and then into even higher octane
185 insurance: rocket launchers and in-orbit space travel.

Jonathan took the opportunity to join Hiscox when they opened an office in Guernsey and
moved into the mysterious world of K&R insurance: that is kidnap, ransom and extortion, for the
uninitiated. Jonathan specialised in Latin America, which was, and I quote, 'incredibly active', and
within a few years Hiscox had become the largest insurer of this type in the world. Jonathan was
190 also part of another market-leading team, war, terror and political violence, whilst also building up
a glittering international portfolio in fine art and jewellery insurance. Sir, do not let anyone tell you
that insurance is dull and boring.

At the age of just 28 Jonathan was recruited to build out the crisis management account for
Australia's biggest insurer, QBE, in London, a role that involved hundreds of millions of dollars'
195 worth of exposure and some very prudent underwriting. Having done that with considerable
success, he was headhunted to do the same for American insurer, CNA Hardy as managing
director back in Guernsey, giving Jonathan and his wife Melanie the perfect opportunity to return
to Island life, set up their permanent home and raise their family.

Jonathan's next professional challenge was to join the XL Group, one of the world's biggest
200 insurers, again to build out their crisis management business. Five years on and now under the
flag of AXA, Jonathan is the chairman of two companies within the group and is also developing
the venture capital and alternative capital revenue streams.

So apart from testifying to Jonathan's intelligence, diligence and competence, what does his
stellar career tell us about his suitability for the role of Jurat? Jurats are of course the chief
205 determinants of fact and as such their ability to exercise good judgment is critical. In Jonathan's
day-to-day role as an underwriter heading up his team, he has to make clear, high stakes
decisions based on the information available to him. Some of these decisions involve huge
amounts of work around highly complicated subjects. His track record speaks volumes for his
good judgment of fact.

210 Through his work in kidnap, ransom and extortion insurance in particular, Jonathan has been in
all kinds of situations involving all kinds of different people from all walks of life – some in an
extremely emotional state. It is no exaggeration to say that on occasion lives depended on
Jonathan's ability to correctly assess the scenario, however scant or obscure the facts might be.
While cases brought before the Royal Court are not usually quite so drastic or intense, the skills
215 that Jonathan honed in that part of his career are pertinent to the role of Jurat. His experience
making focused, considered judgement calls in very sensitive situations would stand him in good
stead.

More mundane perhaps, but just as relevant, is Jonathan's clear understanding of complex
financial structures within the world of funds, trust, banking and insurance. This is a vital area of
220 expertise we need to have on the Jurats' Bench, as the number of cases relating to financial crime
coming before the Court are only likely to increase. One of Jonathan's three directorships is an
insurance related tech company, another very useful area of understanding that he would bring to
the role of Jurat. As well as his directorships, Jonathan sits on numerous underwriting committees
and is a member of the Personal Finance Society and Chartered Insurance Institute. He would

225 however be prepared to resign from any of these posts if they created a conflict with the role of
Jurat.

Jonathan's career demonstrates him to be a highly intelligent and very knowledgeable person
who makes sound and well-reasoned decisions. He has earned the respect of his colleagues and
peers across the industry locally and internationally. His professional experience and expertise
230 belies his years, but it is because he has already achieved so much that he is now at a point in his
career that he can give much more of his time back to the community. I will not expand on
Jonathan's personal life now, as Deputy Le Clerc will do that shortly, but I will say that as a parent
of two young children he wants to serve as a Jurat so that he can, in his words, 'hand the Island on
to the next generation even better than it is now'.

235 Jonathan would, I believe, make an excellent Jurat, bringing to the role not just a strong blend
of personal and intellectual attributes, but also a highly relevant knowledge base and perspective
that would complement and augment the existing expertise on our Jurats' Bench. For these
reasons I warmly commend his candidature to the States of Election.

240 **The Bailiff:** I invite the seconder of Mr Beck, Deputy Le Clerc, to address the Assembly.

Deputy Le Clerc: Thank you, sir.

Sir, once again I have been asked to put forward a member of our community for the position
of Jurat, and I am proud to have been asked by Jonathan to second him today. It is probably true
245 to say that many of you will not know him, as he is not the typical type of person that usually puts
themselves forward for election to this esteemed position. For a start, he is much younger than
most.

So what can I tell you about Jonathan? He was born on 11th September 1979, so he was 40
this year, and he was born in Guernsey. Sadly both his parents are now deceased. His father, Tony
250 was a civil engineer for the States of Guernsey and his mother, Marilyn was an estate agent and I
am sure Jonathan will be listening to this, and one thing I am sure is that they would have been
incredibly proud that their son has put himself forward for this honoured position.

I know both Jonathan and his brother, Simon from playing hockey. I was playing for the Ladies'
Veterans and they were both playing for Elizabeth College. Fortunately, Jon forgot how much I
255 used to stick tackle him when we played against each other. He was very fast. Jon continues to
play sport, representing Guernsey at numerous sports. He windsurfed for Guernsey at the 2005
Island Games in Shetland, where he said it was very, very cold. The team came away with a silver
medal. He also cycled in numerous inter-insulars, both on and off the road and can often be
found running on the cliffs these days.

260 Jonathan attended Beechwood and Elizabeth College and continues as an old Elizabethan
today, playing any sport for the OEs, body, injury, children permitting. Jonathan is married to
Melanie, a former jeweller at Derek Birch and they have two children. After living away from the
Island, they are pleased to be back bringing up their children on this beautiful Island. They love
getting outdoors and enjoying what Guernsey has to offer and they live at L'Islet in a farmhouse
265 which they have been restoring for the last seven years.

It is usual at this point for me to give details of all the work and the venerable volunteering
that the nominee supports. But John's support is much more subtle than usual candidates and I
admire him for his different approach. He said to me that it has been important for him to be able
to give back to the community. To date, all of his involvement has been helping younger
270 sportsmen realise their ambitions and help drive them on to bigger and better things. As we have
already heard, when he was younger, hockey-mad, and living on Guernsey, it was easy to become
a big fish in a small pond. He is grateful to the fantastic mentors who helped him to get off Island
to further his sporting ambitions. It was this grounding which was so important to him. He made a
promise to himself that if he had the financial means to help others progress in their sporting
275 endeavours, he would do all he could to assist in the same way he was helped.

280 The support goes even further than just financial support. He says; 'Often you just need someone to keep you on track or someone to put an arm around you and when your head gets a little big, someone to bring you down to earth and back into line'. He has supported two local cyclists to push themselves and they are now competing with Jon's support at the very highest level in international competition, doing incredibly well in the last Commonwealth Games in Brisbane.

285 John also sponsors a local pool league. His support goes towards paying match fees so players who ordinarily would not be able to compete due to costs are able to take part and enjoy further social activity. He also provides support for players, again, who would not usually be able to afford to travel so that they can compete off Island.

I know that some of you will be thinking that Jonathan is too young to take on this role. I disagree. It is time that we try to better reflect the makeup of our community on the Bench. He is fully aware of the time commitment he is taking on. It is something he has wanted to do for a number of years, but could not commit the time due to building his own businesses. He is totally committed to this role. Please give him the opportunity and support his nomination today.

Thank you, sir.

The Bailiff: Members, before you proceed to vote, the Assembly must elect scrutineers. The Law Officers propose and second that the following nominees: Jurat Jo Wyatt, Deputy Dawn Tindall and Deputy Neil Inder be elected to the scrutineers.

I put to you the proposition that Jurat Wyatt, Deputy Tindall and Deputy Inder be elected scrutineers? Those in favour; those against.

Members voted Pour.

The Bailiff: I declare them elected.

300 I have received from Her Majesty's Greffier a certificate stating that there are present in the Chamber 89 Members of the States of Election. A quorum is therefore present. I remind you the arrangements for voting, although I am sure most of you are very familiar with them. The provisions relating to voting are in the Reform (Guernsey) Law 1948 as amended. Article 5(2) provides that:

(a) no candidate shall be declared elected unless he has polled a number of votes greater than one half of the number of Members of the States of Election present at the meeting at which the election is held.

So today that would mean 45 votes. The article also provides that:

(b) voting shall be a secret ballot irrespective of the number of candidates offering themselves for election.

305 I remind you that those Members supporting a candidate should place a cross in the appropriate place on the voting paper and other Members should return a blank voting paper. As usual the voting will take place in the Jurats' Room and the lobby outside the Chamber and Members should proceed in the order of their names on the roll call as follows. First of all those Members up to and including Saint Peter Port South, that is up to and including Deputy Tooley, are in the first second; and the second section contains the names of Members from St Peter Port North, up to and including the South East.

310 Electors in those two sections should form into two queues along the corridor to the Jurats' Room and on entering the Jurats' Room those in the first section go to the table on the left; and the second section to the table on the right to collect their ballot paper. And then after voting, please exit the Jurats' Room via the Jurats' Lobby.

The third section contains the names of all the Douzaine Representatives. Electors in that section are to form a single queue and vote in the lobby outside this Chamber. After voting please move through to the cloakroom adjacent to the lobby until the Douzaine Representative for

320 St Andrew's has voted. After voting has been completed, Members are requested to return to the Chamber.

Would you please now allow Her Majesty's Deputy Greffier and the scrutineers to leave the Chamber first so that the scrutineers can examine the voting boxes and record their votes.

There was a ballot.

The Bailiff: Well, Members of the States of Election, I have received a letter for Her Majesty's Greffier, signed by the three scrutineers, which I will read:

Sir, we have the honour to report that the result of the ballot for the election of one Jurat held this day is as follows: Beck, Jonathan Richard, 37 votes; Burnard, Paul Martin, 48 votes. There were one spoiled paper and three blank papers.

325 So the candidate having polled a number of votes greater than one half of the number of Members present, I therefore formally declare that Paul Martin Burnard has this day been elected as a Jurat of the Royal Court.

330 By time-honoured custom and practice I shall now address Her Majesty's Sherriff, and direct her formally to notify Mr Burnard of his election and to require him to attend the Royal Court to take the necessary oath.

Madame le Prévôt de la Reine, veuillez, je vous prie, présenter mes compliments et mes félicitations à Monsieur Burnard et lui faire part de son élection à la charge de Juré-Justicier de la Cour Royale.

335 *Priez-lui d'avoir l'obligeance de se présenter lundi, le quatre Novembre à neuf heures et demi du matin devant la Cour Royale siegérant en Cour afin que le serment attachant à telle charge lui soit administré.*

Members of the States of Election, as you have heard, the role of Jurat is an ancient role and this is a unique electoral college fulfilling a very important role in the administration of justice in the Island and I thank you all very much for your attendance.

340 May I remind those of you who are Members of the States of Deliberation that the States will sit in 10 minutes' time, just after 10.30 a.m. So about 10.30 a.m.

Her Majesty's Greffier will now close today's proceedings by reciting the closing Grace. Greffier.

PRAYER

The Greffier

The States of Election adjourned at 10.22 a.m.