## CRIMINAL PROCEDURE RULE COMMITTEE

## VACANCY FOR A MAGISTRATE MEMBER (LAY JUSTICE) 2023

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

This form asks applicants for appointment to the Committee for:

* the names of two potential referees
* information about any:
1. potential conflict of interest
2. material previous conduct
3. material political activity
* diversity monitoring information

**Request for referees**

Please provide names and contact details of two people who may be asked to act as referees for you if you are invited for interview. At least one should have knowledge of your work in your most recent professional and/ or voluntary activity. Each should have authoritative and personal knowledge of your achievements in a professional or public service capacity.

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| Reference 1: |
| Name: |  |
| Address: |  |
| Telephone: |  |
| Email: |  |
| Reference 2: |
| Name: |  |
| Address: |  |
| Telephone: |  |
| Email: |  |

**Conflicts of interest and previous conduct declaration**

Please give details of any business or other interests or any personal connections which, if you are appointed, could be misconstrued or could cause embarrassment to the Lord Chief Justice, the Lord Chancellor or the Criminal Procedure Rule Committee. If none, please so indicate.

Any particular conflicts of interest detailed here will not prevent you being interviewed but may, if appropriate, be discussed with you during your interview to find out how you would deal with them if you were appointed.

Please also indicate whether you have ever been convicted of, or cautioned for, any criminal offence, or found guilty of professional misconduct, or if any such proceedings are pending. Given the eligibility requirements for membership of the Criminal Procedure Rule Committee, we recognise that this is most unlikely to be the case. You are asked to disclose any such proceedings, nonetheless.

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| I confirm that I have read and understood the sections in the vacancy notice on ‘Standards in public life’, ‘Political activity’ and ‘Conflicts of interest’. |  |

(Please tick the above box)

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**Political activity declaration**

Please indicate which of the following activities you have undertaken during the past five years by ticking the appropriate box and providing details of your involvement. Name the party or body for which you have been active. If you have been or are an Independent or have sought or obtained office as a representative of a particular interest group, you should state this. You should tick all relevant categories.

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| Obtained office as a Local Councillor, MP, Devolved offices, MEP etc. |  |
| Stood as a candidate for one of the above offices |  |
| Spoken on behalf of a party or candidate |  |

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| Acted as a political agent |  |
| Held office such as Chair, Treasurer or Secretary of a local branch of a party |  |
| Canvassed on behalf of a party or helped at election |  |
| Undertaken any political activity which you consider relevant |  |

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| Made a significant loan or donation to a political party[[1]](#footnote-1) |  |

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| None of the above activities apply |  |

Name of Party for which activity undertaken: ……………………………………

Details of your involvement (please continue on a separate sheet if necessary):

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Note: this form is for monitoring purposes only. However, it is appreciated that such activities may have given you relevant skills, including experience gained from committee work, collective decision making, resolving conflict and public speaking. If, therefore, you have had such experience and you consider it relevant to your application for this post, you should include it separately in your supporting statement.

**Diversity monitoring**

We aim to provide fair and equal access to Criminal Procedure Rule Committee appointments. You are asked to give the information listed beneath, which helps us to monitor the effectiveness of our efforts.

It also helps us to monitor how we are complying with equality law. The Equality Act 2010 protects people from discrimination and promotes equality on the basis of a number of ‘protected characteristics’. We ask for information on your ‘protected characteristics’ in order to help us monitor our performance on equality.

We may also be asked to provide information – in summary form only, and which does not identify individuals – in response to Parliamentary Questions and other public enquiries and reports on our equality performance.

In line with judiciary and government policy, and in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 2018, the information you provide will be held confidentially and can only be used if you give us your consent.

**This information will be kept separate from your curriculum vitae and supporting statement and will not be considered for the purposes of sifting applications for interview, or for interview**. Assessment of your suitability for appointment is made purely on the information you give in your curriculum vitae and supporting statementand on your performance at interview, should you be invited. Appointments are made strictly on merit. We hope that this encourages you to complete the form.

**GENDER**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Male |  |  | Female |  | Prefer not to say  |  |

**AGE**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 66+  |  |
| 56-65  |  |
| 46-55  |  |
| 36-45  |  |
| 26-35  |  |
| 25 & under  |  | Prefer not to say  |  |

**DISABILITY**

The Equality Act 2010 defines a person as disabled if they have a physical or mental impairment which has substantial and long term (i.e. has lasted or is expected to last at least 12 months) adverse effect on their ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities. Adverse effects may arise from external barriers experienced by people with impairments.

When you answer the question, you should not take into account the effect of any medication or treatments used or adjustments made (for example, at work or at home) which reduce the effects of impairments. Instead, you should think about the effect the impairment would have if these were not being used or made.

Taking this into account, do you consider yourself to be a disabled person?

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| Yes: |  | No:  |  | Prefer not to say  |  |

**ETHNIC ORIGIN:**

Which group do you identify with? Please tick one box. The options are listed alphabetically.

ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Bangladeshi |  |
| Chinese |  |
| Indian  |  |
| Pakistani |  |

Any Other Asian background (specify if you wish)

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BLACK OR BLACK BRITISH

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| --- | --- |
| African |  |
| Caribbean |  |

Any Other Black background (specify if you wish)

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MIXED

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| Asian and White  |  |
| Black African and White  |  |
| Black Caribbean and White  |  |

Any other Mixed Ethnic Background (specify if you wish)

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WHITE

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| White |  |

ANY OTHER BACKGROUND

Any other ethnic background (specify below if you wish)

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| Prefer not to say  |  |

**SEXUAL ORIENTATION.** Do you consider yourself to be:

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| Bisexual  |  |
| Gay man  |  |
| Gay woman  |  |
| Heterosexual  |  |

Other (Please state below)

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| Prefer not to say  |  |

**RELIGION AND BELIEF.** What is your religion?

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| None  |  |
| Christian (including Church of England, Catholic, Protestant and all other Christian denominations)  |  |
| Buddhist |  |
| Hindu  |  |
| Jewish  |  |
| Muslim  |  |
| Sikh  |  |

Other (Please state below)

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| Prefer not to say  |  |

**SECTORAL BACKGROUND**. Is your working background?

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| --- | --- |
| Mixed |  |
| Mostly Civil Service |  |
| Mostly private |  |
| Mostly Third Sector |  |
| Mostly wider public sector |  |

**PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS.** Other than the appointment that qualifies you for membership of the Criminal Procedure Rule Committee, is this your first public appointment?

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| Yes: |  | No:  |  |

If you currently hold any other public appointment, please complete the following:

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| **Body** | **Period of Appointment** | **Government Department** |
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**ADVERTISEMENT OF THIS VACANCY.** Please tell us where you saw this vacancy advertised:

1. Significant loans and donations are those of a size which are reported to the Electoral Commission, in line with a central party’s reporting threshold. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)