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States of Election

[THE BAILIFF *in the Chair*]

PRAYER

The Deputy Greffier

EVOCATION

CONVOCAATION

The Deputy Greffier: Billet d'État XVI. 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, 6th September 2017 at 9.30 a.m. for the purpose of electing a Jurat in place of Terry George Snell, who has been appointed by the Royal Court as a Jurée-Justicière Suppléante with effect from 14th July 2017 pursuant to sections 11 and 12 of the Royal Court (Reform) (Guernsey) Law, 2008.

Election of a Jurat – Dr Alan Boyle elected

The Bailiff: Good morning everyone and thank you very much for attending. Just before we proceed, I must wait for the Greffier to confirm to me that a quorum is present. It quite clearly is, but I will just wait for the formal confirmation of the numbers present.

Members, the Greffier has just handed me a letter which reads as follows:

I certify that in addition to yourself ...

– i.e. in addition to me –

... there are 91 Members present at this meeting of the States of Election for the purpose of electing a Jurat in the place of Terry George Snell who has been appointed to the Royal Court Juré-Justicier Suppléant with effect from 14th July 2017 pursuant to sections 11 and 12 of the Royal Court (Reform) (Guernsey) Law, 2008, as amended.

So we are quorate.

Members of the States of Election, I have received three nominations for the vacant office of Jurat: that of Callum Andrew Beaton, proposed by Deputy Trott and seconded by Deputy Parkinson; that of Alan Stevenson Boyle, proposed by Deputy Soulsby and seconded by Deputy Le Tocq; and that of Michael Newell Reiss Burrows, proposed by Deputy Ferbrache and seconded by Deputy Prow.

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

Deputy Trott.

Deputy Trott: Thank you, sir.

Members of the States of Election, Guernsey's Jurat system is at its strongest, at its very best when their number has the widest possible set of expertise and experience across its members.

30 So in proposing a distinguished member of our community for this esteemed office, it is important to consider primarily two matters: the first – are they the right person, do they have the commensurate skills and experience as an individual; and secondly – will they be able to add to the existing skills and experience held across the current bench? In proposing Callum Beaton, I have absolutely no doubt that the answer to both of those questions is yes.

35 The skills and qualities needed to be an effective Jurat include intelligence, analytical skills, judgement, decision-making skills based on evidence, and trust. Does Callum Beaton tick all those boxes? Well, let's examine his life's journey so far and see. Callum is 58 and has spent most of his life in Guernsey. Born in Edinburgh, he moved to Guernsey whilst still a child and, aside from his time off-Island with work from 1977 to 1986, has lived here otherwise.

40 During that period Callum has been an active member of our community, professionally, charitably, politically, educationally and sportingly. Deputy Parkinson will cover these achievements and more in detail when he speaks later.

45 Such an active role in our community demonstrates somebody who has experience in working at the highest levels of business; who provides support to those in our community who most need it, through charity work; who plays their part in running our local community services, through Douzaine membership; who is involved in sport, particularly of a maritime nature; and who cares about how our future generations are educated.

The skill most needed to be an effective Jurat is undoubtedly the ability to analyse evidence, to take legal guidance and to arrive at an objective decision. As a global expert in captive insurance, Callum is often called in as an expert witness providing insight and conclusions based on evidence and, as a consequence, can demonstrate a long track record in differentiating between evidence and anecdote. An intelligent and enquiring mind is essential and, aside from a strong academic record, Callum speaks French and Spanish; a gift for languages, as always, an indicator of a strong intellect. I am sure we would all agree, sir, after all, that despite many consistent qualities, all of our Jurats do have a certain *je ne sais quoi*.

55 Sir, to be a global expert in captive insurance requires numerous qualities, among them analytical skills, strong decision-making, intellect and hard work – the very things that I have just mentioned – but it also requires trust; people have to trust your judgement. That is one of the reoccurring comments that people in our community, in business and indeed off-Island say about Callum: they trust him and they trust his judgement. They are right to do so.

60 Let me tell you a little bit more about Callum's life. Callum came to Guernsey as a nine-year-old in 1968 when his father, Charles, an architect and town planner, took up position as Principal Planning Officer to the States of Guernsey, and latterly his father became Island Development Officer. His mother, Mary, was a clinical biochemist who, after an initial time as cardiologist at the PEH, became the first clinical director of the Guernsey Chest and Heart Association.

65 Callum commenced work in the city in August 1977. It was to be the start of a stellar career. In 1982 he qualified as an associate of the Chartered Insurance Institute and was subsequently approached to become an assistant on a Lloyd's syndicate writing international non-marine insurance.

70 At the end of 1985 he resigned his position and moved back to Guernsey. His first position back in the Island was as a captive insurance manager with Transglobe Underwriting Management and at the end of 1987 he was approached to join Willis Wrightson – the local office of what was then the leading Lloyd's broker. He assumed overall control for the company's insurance activities and was appointed to the board in 1990.

75 Sir, Callum's career continued to develop and he was approached in 1991 to establish a new captive management company as a subsidiary of the Reed Group. He was appointed managing director and led the company from the outset to its sale.

80 During this period he was invited to write and lecture on captive principles in the UK, Sweden, Luxembourg, the United States, South Africa and in Cuba, which he did in Spanish. He advised the South African Reserve Bank and subsequently guided them through establishment and management of a captive insurer in Guernsey. In 2001 Callum joined Thomas Miller Risk Management Ltd as its chief executive.

In short, a stellar career which helped to build up an expertise in captive insurance in Guernsey, enabling us as a jurisdiction to be rightly acknowledged around the globe as Europe's number one domicile, providing jobs, growth and continued prosperity for Guernsey.

85 Sir, at the beginning of 2005 Callum became self-employed with the aim of providing strategic guidance and advice in the captive and protected sell insurance sectors, and he has continued that activity to this day and has, in the process, been appointed to a number of boards of captive insurers in our Island.

90 Sir, his work calls for high levels of attention to detail, he has peer reviewed insurance papers delivered by major insurance groups, variously challenging and complimenting them. Callum is passionate about professional standards and attention to detail. In achieving his fellowship of the Chartered Insurance Institute, he was the gold medallist. He then went on to receive the insurance world's premier academic award for a paper on the impact of corporate governance on the sector. He has been retained as an expert witness in a number of crucial and highly complex cases. His attention to detail is outstanding.

95 So, sir, intelligence, analytical skills, judgement, decision-making based on evidence and trust – the skills and qualities most needed to be an effective Jurat.

100 Being self-employed means Callum will be able fully to schedule his working commitments so that they do not impact on any duties that attach to the role of Jurat, should he be successful. He is an ideal candidate to become Jurat and there is much that he can add to the skills and expertise across the bench.

But in conclusion, sir, Deputy Parkinson and I do not believe that Callum Beaton will make a good Jurat; we believe he will make an excellent Jurat!

Thank you, sir.

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The Bailiff: I now invite the seconder for Mr Beaton, Deputy Parkinson, to address the Assembly.

Deputy Parkinson: Thank you, sir, Members of the States of Election.

110 I first met Callum when he and his brother, Hamish, were sailing a mirror dinghy called 'Oh Brother' at the Guernsey Yacht Club in about 1971, and what was remarkable about that was that he and his brother, then aged about 10 and 12, had built the boat themselves in the workshops at Elizabeth College – and I can confirm that the boat floated! (*Laughter*)

115 Callum's love of sailing was enduring. When he worked at Lloyd's of London he was a member of the Lloyd's Yacht Club and won its cruising cup in 1984. Subsequently and back in Guernsey, he became an RYA qualified yacht master and competed with the late Sir Graham Dorey in a fast net race. He remains a member of the Guernsey Yacht Club and was junior captain of the club in 1976.

120 He was educated at Beechwood and Elizabeth College where he passed A-levels in French and Spanish – languages in which he remains conversationally fluent. Although he was offered places at St Andrews and Edinburgh universities, Callum decided to go straight into the world of insurance. Well, I say straight into the world of insurance; that was in fact his second choice, but the Royal Navy rejected him because his eyesight was not 20/20.

125 I will not dwell on his professional career, which has been ably described by Deputy Trott, but suffice to say that Callum has had a long and distinguished career in the world of insurance. That career started in London and during his years working in the city he met his wife, Sandra. They were married in 1984 – a couple of years before his return to Guernsey in 1986. They have two sons who were mainly educated locally.

130 Callum has been an active member of the community in Guernsey since his return to the Island in 1986, becoming a member of the fundraising committee for Les Bourgs Hospice shortly after his return to the Island. He was subsequently appointed to the board of governors. In his fundraising capacity he was an organiser of, and participator in, the Rock to Rocque Cycle Ride and he helped to organise two fundraising balls. He has been a member of the Round Table.

135 Tragedy struck his family in 2012 with the death of his younger brother, Hamish, who left two young daughters. Callum became acutely aware of the need for support for those who suffer a bereavement and he started to raise funds for the Guernsey Bereavement Service (LBG). The following year he was appointed Chairman of the service and he has held that position since then. However, if he is successful in this election he intends to resign that position, having now served four years.

140 Since January 2016, Callum has served as a Douzenier of St Martin's, where he sits on the Administration and Finance, and the Parish Property Committees. Being a keen gardener, he was also pleased to be involved with the parishes Britain in Bloom effort in 2016. He is a trustee of the Elizabeth College Foundation and an active member of the Old Elizabethan Association.

145 Callum and Sandra have always been very much a team, sharing parenting responsibilities to enable each other to pursue their interests. It has been helpful in this regard that Callum has worked from home since he became self-employed in 2005. This has enabled Sandra to do Meals on Wheels, to be a member of the Oxfam Committee and to be a board member of Elizabeth College.

150 Sir, Callum Beaton has strong qualifications for the role of Jurat. He is an analytical man who will bring his professional approach to any work that he undertakes. He has specialist professional skills which will be invaluable to the Bench of Jurats, but he is also a compassionate man, a man who knows that life deals out some hard blows and that people are frail. He has already shown his commitment to this community and is ready to give more. Having known Callum for more than 30 years, I can unhesitatingly commend his nomination to the States of Election.

155 **The Bailiff:** Members of the States, just after Deputy Trott rose to speak, Douzenier Clark entered the Chamber. Do you wish to be relevé?

Douzaine Representative Clark: I apologise, sir, for my late appearance.

160 **The Bailiff:** Thank you. You are relevé.

I now invite the proposer of Dr Boyle, Deputy Soulsby, to address the Assembly.

165 **Deputy Soulsby:** Sir, the role of Jurat is an incredibly important one and as such requires, as is made very clear on the Royal Court website, people of proven ability. It is for that reason that I do not think it is possible to propose someone without having first been satisfied that the person in question meets exacting requirements for such a position. I believe that Dr Alan Boyle has the necessary skills and is well placed to fulfil those responsibilities. It is for that reason that I am happy to propose him as a Jurat.

170 Alan was born and grew up in Scotland, though I do believe his Scottish accent has been rather muted, which perhaps is not surprising given the fact he has lived and worked in Guernsey for 40 years. He graduated as a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, with commendation from Glasgow University in 1973 and became a fellow at the Royal College of Anaesthetists in 1978.

175 He came to Guernsey in 1977 – the Queen's Silver Jubilee year; my last year at primary school, incidentally! (*Laughter*) It is that long ago – joining the then Albany Medical Practice as a family doctor and anaesthetist. Then in 1992, following the change in the funding provision of secondary healthcare, he became a founding partner of the Medical Specialist Group working as, unsurprisingly, a consultant anaesthetist.

180 It could be argued that as someone used to putting so many people to sleep over the years perhaps he ought to stand as a Deputy! (*Laughter*) But I believe that rather than making lots of speeches in this Chamber, the skills Alan has to offer make him far more eminently qualified to be a Jurat.

185 What skills and what do I mean? Well, amongst so many duties, which I understand include overseeing the destruction of banknotes, they have a fundamental duty to act as judges of fact in both criminal and civil cases. In addition, as part of their oath, they need to confirm that they will assist in keeping accurate records. As a clinician, it goes without saying these are necessary skills. The need to be analytical is essential for someone working as a medical consultant. The need to take all the facts into account to make a diagnosis based on those facts is part of the job. To provide an effective pain management service, which Alan has done for many years, requires the ability to problem solve and analyse the facts; it also requires an understanding of the patient as a person, not a statistic.

190 Not only that but Alan has also demonstrated his judicial skills by being a member and Chairman of the Medical Advisory Committee to the former Board of Health; and, to cap that, has worked as a trained medical case investigator under the maintaining high professional guidelines set by the NCAS or National Clinical Assessment Service. The latter involves interviews, collating evidence and weighing it, assessing the credibility of witnesses and writing a report. It is about judging the facts, not about making value judgements. There cannot be a more suitable training to be a Jurat than that, I would say. It is these professional skills that make Alan a natural choice to be a Jurat.

200 Deputy Le Tocq will give details of the other side of Alan – what he has done outside his work. What I will say now, though, is that as someone in a highly demanding job requiring him to be on call on a regular basis, together with the fact he has nine children and, astonishingly, 12 grandchildren – seven being on-Island – has meant he has been rather busy, in more ways than one you could say, since he has been here.

205 However, Alan has now retired from practice and all his children have now entered the world of work. As he told me when we discussed the reason behind him wanting to stand:

I have been very privileged to enjoy my medical career in Guernsey. Now that I have finally retired, I have the time, the energy and desire to contribute something back to the community and to the Island I love.

I think that sums up exactly who Alan is – someone who wants to put something back in the best way he knows how, using the skills he has acquired over many decades and with proven ability.

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The Bailiff: I invite the seconder of Dr Boyle, Deputy Le Tocq, to address the Assembly.

Deputy Le Tocq: Thank you, Mr Bailiff, Members of the States of Election.

215 I am very pleased to be able to support and second the nomination of Dr Alan Boyle for the position of Jurat.

220 Before highlighting Dr Boyle's other attributes, I wish to pick up from where Deputy Heidi Soulsby took us with regard to his skills and experience associated with the field of medicine and his training as both a GP and a specialist, because, firstly, I believe they highlight other aspects of Alan's suitability and, secondly, because I feel that it is important that we seek people with a broad gamut in terms of background and life skills so that we maintain a Bench of Jurats, or whatever the collective term is for Jurés-Justicier, that is consistently well balanced as possible.

225 Deputy Soulsby described Alan's previous career as highly demanding and I am certain no one here would argue with that, but apart from the long and intensive training which medical practitioners must undergo before embarking upon a career in what can only be described as a consistently stressful environment, I want to highlight the fact that as a qualified medical consultant with, daily, people's lives in his care, Alan came across the widest spectrum of individuals in terms of age, status, wealth, physical and mental health, and most importantly, he

had to learn how to handle people at their most vulnerable. Few are afforded this experience during their career.

230 Not only that, but like the majority of medical practitioners I know, Alan comes at things from a slightly different angle. Doctors ask the questions others do not think to ask or sometimes are too afraid to ask. They are used to listening well and to reading well. They are used to using different perspectives to determine causes in order to find appropriate solutions and understanding the patient as a person and not a statistic, as Deputy Soulsby put it, requires

235 patience, altruism and discretion.

Alan possesses these skills and attributes and they are evident not only in his professional career but also in his life in general. For, from the moment he arrived in Guernsey nearly four decades ago, Alan volunteered his already limited free time to serve on the leadership of the Church of Scotland St Andrews in the Grange. In fact, he became an ordained elder in the

240 Presbyterian tradition and still serves in that capacity. This unremunerated office combines both pastoral and governance roles, and requires all the skills of judgement, personal care, questioning, reasoning, listening, patience and decision-making, of which I have already spoken. I am certain that Alan has been actively affirmed in this role for so many years because he possesses these qualities in great measure and because he is trustworthy and willing to serve.

245 Alan is a family man and he is also involved in the arts. He is a musician and, like me, loves playing virtually anything with black and white keys. In fact, he serves as organist at St Andrews also.

Sir, the States of Election in the past have, in their wisdom, frequently chosen people with a background in the medical profession within our community to serve as Jurats of the Royal Court, to such a degree that at any given time one could evidence several on the Bench. With retirements and the like, this may no longer be the case very soon, so, for one final reason, I would thoroughly recommend to this Assembly that we elect Dr Alan Boyle as a Jurat today.

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The Bailiff: I invite the proposer of Mr Burrows, Deputy Ferbrache, to address the Assembly.

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Deputy Ferbrache: Sir, I, with as much vigour as at my age I can muster, and with absolute sincerity, nominate Michael Burrows.

Michael Burrows is a man who will be described personally, in due course, by probably the best address of the six that the States of Election we are going to listen to, by my colleague, Deputy Prow, shortly. But in relation to Mr Burrows, I have known Mr Burrows since he was a young man. I can remember my initial image of Mr Burrows was when he was courting his now wife, a very attractive lady, when she lived near the Odeon cinema – I had always admired her and therefore I admired him. My second recollection of him was that he was a very good rider of motorcycles, a skill which I never really mastered. So I have known him a long time.

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Michael Burrows ... Deputy Trott, I think he used, both as a verb and now as an adjective, the words 'analysis' and 'analytical', and really that this is the absolute key quality that anybody needs to be a Jurat, because all of the three candidates are people of integrity, they are all learned people, they all bring great skills, and Deputy Trott, in a loud, passionate final report to the States of Election, said this candidate was excellent. Well, they are all excellent, but I think my candidate is more excellent than excellent, (*Laughter*) and the reason for that is he is a well-rounded man, he is a local man; like both the previous candidates, he has got children and grandchildren – no doubt his lineage continues and he will have great-grandchildren in due course. So his roots are in this community.

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I nominated him and Deputy Prow seconded the affirmation a few months ago at the last election, when he was not successful but he came second. We have all slept since then, and all those of you who know your *Macbeth* know that sleep 'knits the ravell'd sleeve of care', but it also makes us forget things, so I am just going to remind you of this about the qualities of Michael Burrows. The important role for the Jurats, the Jurats' key function ... They are not lawyers; their key function is to analyse evidence – that is analyse evidence both in civil and criminal cases – and

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280 they do that, as my experience as a Guernsey advocate for the last 36 years says, with
considerable skill, and they have very rarely got it wrong, in my experience, and I have mentioned
before that is only when I have lost the occasional case. So, in connection with that, they have that
aplomb and skill, and that is what Michael Burrows has done in all his professional life.

He joined the Police as a young man and he was a 21st-century policeman in the 20th century.
285 He did not believe that just because you were investigating somebody they were guilty. He did
not believe, even when somebody was charged, they were necessarily guilty; that was a function
of the court. What Michael Burrows did ... He has got qualifications, experience, skills and
attributes as a human being which, if I were to list them all, would cast into mere asunder and as a
sprint my one hour 21 minutes speech in the education debate. So, in connection with that, I will
290 be as brief as I can.

He is a graduate of the senior police officers' course at Bramshill, which is like going to Oxford
or Cambridge, or Edinburgh; and – it is not just from a Patricia Cornwell novel – he is a graduate
of the FBI college at Quantico in Virginia. He holds a Certificate in Medical Jurisprudence from
London Hospital. He has numerous other qualifications. He was a police officer for over a quarter
295 of a century, and a senior police officer, and he covered just about every aspect of police service.
He was head of traffic, he was head of IT – and IT was a particular skill that he had. But he was also
– and this makes him unique to most candidates – a cross-duty inspector in the Magistrates Court
when the Police used to prosecute cases before the advent of Crown advocates. He was
particularly adept. He could analyse the evidence, he could present the case well, but above all he
300 did it with fairness, and fairness is a quality that Jurats must have, and indeed always have that.

After leaving the Police Force, when he was still a relatively young man, he had the energy and
vigour to start a completely new career. He joined an IT consultancy company and he ended up
being the general manager of what became the biggest IT consultancy company in the Channel
Islands – he was the Guernsey manager. But that was not enough for him: he went beyond then to
305 set up his own IT consultancy firm.

He has wide and extensive interests, which the able Deputy Prow will outline, but above all –
and this is the key quality, because there are 16 people who discharge the role of Jurat to the
Royal Court – their key quality is to analyse evidence to assess people, to realise that it is not just
what you hear by way of evidence, it is how it is said. You have got to look almost through. You
310 have almost got to have – no pun intended with Dr Boyle – X-ray eyes to look through the person
and assess the quality of your evidence, because you are judging people. You are judging them in
the criminal context, you are judging them in the civil context; you are making, as a Jurat,
decisions which are going to have life-changing implications and life-changing reasons for people
and how they conduct their lives in the future.

315 I have no doubt in saying that he is the best candidate and you should elect him.

The Bailiff: I invite the seconder of Mr Burrows, Deputy Prow, to address the Assembly.

Deputy Prow: Thank you, Mr Bailiff.

320 Members of the States of Election, it has been said that election as a Jurat is the highest
honour that Guernsey confers on a resident of the Island. They become the cornerstone of our
justice system, judges of fact in both civil and criminal cases. They are people of proven ability,
ensuring a broad range of skills and experience on the bench, and are rightly accorded a special
status within the community. This sitting of the States of Election is therefore an important
325 process in order to preserve the historic and unique position. It is without hesitation that I second
Deputy Ferbrache in the nomination of Mr Michael Burrows for the office of Jurat.

Sir, I have known Mike since we were both young men, both personally and in his professional
capacity when he was a police officer, and in more recent years in his capacity as a highly
330 regarded information technology professional. I therefore understand his characteristics well and I
can say that in my opinion he is an ideal candidate for the position for which he is nominated.

335 Mike has demonstrated throughout his life that he is a deep thinker, a man of integrity, and fair minded. Not only that, Mike demonstrates a deep commitment towards all he takes on in life. Mike is a strong family man who has been married for 45 years to Gill and has three children: two working locally in the finance industry, who are married and each have three children; and one daughter who lives in Brighton, who has an event management business. He has spent all his adult life in Guernsey, having completed formal education at boarding school in the UK and subsequently gained a BA with the Open University in Computer Science.

340 While he was attending the prestigious FBI Academy course in Quantico, Virginia, he was able to gain a wealth of experience interacting with attendees from all over the world. He subsequently attended annual European FBI gatherings in a variety of European capitals to exchange teachings and to swap experiences.

345 He has been involved in various charitable activities, including serving for four years as a council member for the National Trust of Guernsey. Mike has both organised and taken part in the much-publicised Cycle Aware charitable events, raising money for incubators for premature babies, which were at the time desperately needed by the PEH hospital. Mike also led various publicity stunts to raise awareness, and of course donations, such as the kidnapping of the Co-op St Martin's store manager and asking for donations to release him. This involved a 615-mile cycle ride through France from St Malo to Dover and on to Weymouth in five days. This raised over £53,000 for the incubators.

350 Clearly, as well as cycling, Mike has a great appetite for a whole range of sports. He was readily involved in the Guernsey Clay Pigeon Shooting Club for several years, serving on the committee and helping organise and administer the sport's involvement in the Island Games when they were last held in Guernsey. Mike enjoys boating, having been a keen sailor for several years before turning to motor-boating. He is a keen follower of rugby, having played at school and for Guernsey Rugby Club, and he enjoys a round of golf when he can find the time. And if that was not enough, Mike has recently taken up archery. Apart from helping his wife, Gill, to look after the garden and their six grandchildren, Mike reads extensively, and having previously participated in local motorsport for many years now enjoys viewing professional sport from the comfort of an armchair.

360 Sir, in summary, Mike has made a huge contribution to Island life and knows and understands the way Guernsey ticks, both in his professional and personal life. I commend Mike to you and ask you to vote for him.

Thank you, sir.

365 **The Bailiff:** Members of the States of Election, before you proceed to vote you must elect scrutineers. The Law Officers propose and second that the following nominees, Jurat Ferbrache, Deputy Le Clerc and Deputy Dorey, be elected as scrutineers.

I put to you the Proposition that Jurat Ferbrache, Deputy Le Clerc and Deputy Dorey be elected as scrutineers. Those in favour; those against.

Members voted Pour.

370 **The Bailiff:** I declare them elected.

I remind you that there are provisions relating to voting 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.

There are now 92 Members present, plus myself, so that means that in practice nobody will be elected unless they can achieve 47 votes. My maths is correct: 47 votes.

375 The Law also provides that:

Voting shall be by secret ballot irrespective of the number of candidates offering themselves for election.

I remind you that those Members supporting a candidate should place a cross in the appropriate place on the voting paper and that other Members should return a blank voting paper.

380 This time we have made a slight change to the voting arrangements. There will be three voting stations. The voting will take place in the Jurats' Room and in the lobby outside the Chamber.

385 Members should proceed in the order of their names on the roll call as follows. The roll call has been divided in three. The first section contains the names of those Members up to and including St Peter Port South – that is Deputy Tooley. The second section contains the names of Members from St Peter Port North, starting with Deputy Gollop, up to and including the South East, Deputy Oliver. Electors in those two sections should form into two queues along the corridor to the Jurats' Room. On entering the Jurats' Room, Members in the first section of the roll call proceed to the table on the left and the second section to the table on the right to collect their ballot paper. After voting, please leave the Jurats' Room via the Jurats' Lobby. The third section contains the names of all the Douzaine representatives. Electors in that section are asked to form a single queue and will vote in the lobby outside this Chamber. After voting, will you please assemble in the
390 cloakroom adjacent to the lobby until the Douzaine representative for St Andrews has voted. After voting has been completed, Members are requested to return to the Chamber.

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

395 We will now rise and retire for voting.

There was a ballot.

The Bailiff: Members of the States of Election, I confirm that I have received a letter from the scrutineers which reads as follows:

We have the honour to report that the result of the ballot for the election of one Jurat held this day is as follows: Beaton, Callum Andrew, 29 votes; Boyle, Alan Stevenson, 37 votes; Burrows, Michael Newell Rhys, 24 votes; and there were 2 blank papers.

400 As the candidate with the highest number of votes has not polled a number of votes greater than one half of the number of Members of the States of Election present, then in pursuance of the provisions of the Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948, as amended, he cannot be declared elected and a second ballot is necessary. Under the provisions of that Law, as amended, the candidate with the least number of votes shall be eliminated from the next ballot. Mr Burrows is therefore eliminated at this stage.

405 I would remind the Assembly that Members supporting Mr Beaton or Dr Boyle should place a cross in the appropriate place on the voting paper, and that other Members should return a blank voting paper. The voting will now take place under the same conditions as the first ballot, and we will rise.

There was a ballot.

The Bailiff: Members of the States, I have received a letter from the scrutineers following the second ballot, which I will read:

We have the honour to report that the result of the second ballot for the election of one Jurat held this day is as follows: Beaton, Callum Andrew, 34 votes; Boyle, Alan Stevenson, 50 votes. There were two spoilt papers and six blank papers.

410 I therefore declare Dr Boyle elected.

By time honoured custom and practice I shall now address Her Majesty's Deputy Sheriff and direct him to notify formally Dr Boyle of his election and to require him to attend the Court of Chief Pleas to take the necessary oath.

415 *Monsieur le Prévôt-adjoint de la Reine, veuillez, je vous prie, présenter mes compliments et mes félicitations à Dr Alan Stevenson Boyle et lui faire part de son élection à la charge de Juré- Justicier de la Cour Royale. Priez-lui d'avoir l'obligeance de se présenter lundi, le deux octobre à dix heures du matin devant la Cour Royale siégeant en Chef Plaids afin que le serment attachant à telle charge lui soit administré.*

420 **The Deputy Sheriff:** Oui, Monsieur le Bailli.

The Bailiff: Merci.

425 Members of the States of Election, this is a unique electoral college, which fulfils an important contributory role in the administration of justice in this Island. I thank you all very much for your attendance and I remind those of you who are Members of the States of Deliberation that the States of Deliberation will sit as soon as possible. Shall we try to be back here for 10.45 a.m.?

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

PRAYER

The Greffier

The States of Election adjourned at 10.38 a.m.