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Call for Candidates for Electoral Officer

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(Kahnawake – 3, Onerahtókha /April 2024) As per section 5.3 of the *Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke Election Law*, the Kahnawà:ke Justice Commission is inviting interested persons to submit their candidacies for the position of Electoral Officer for the 2024 Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) Elections. The submission period begins today, Wednesday, 3 Onerahtókha/April 2024, and ends at 4pm on Wednesday 17, Onerahtókha/April 2024.

Candidates must sign a privacy waiver to allow verification that they meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Over the age of twenty-one (21) years;
- Recognized as a Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke pursuant to the Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Law and does not currently have their benefits and entitlements suspended;
- Ordinarily resident in Kahnawà:ke;
- Not have pled guilty, been found guilty, been convicted, and/or sentenced for a criminal offense within the previous six (6) years. The six (6) year ban commences only after all sentences have been served in full;
- Not be a member of the Council at any time during the year immediately preceding the election or intend to be a candidate in the election.

The Electoral Officer must also meet the requirements contained in the <u>Terms of Reference</u> and have the skills and experience necessary to conduct the 2024 MCK Elections in a fair, transparent, and accountable manner. To assist with the evaluation, Candidates must also provide a letter of intent and resume, the names and contact information of two (2) professional references, and Proof of minimum high school education.

Candidates deemed by the Kahnawà:ke Justice Commission to meet minimum requirements and to have the necessary skills and experience necessary after a verification and screening process will be placed on the ballot for a community vote.

For further information or to obtain a copy of the Electoral Officer <u>Terms of Reference</u> and <u>Privacy Waiver</u>, please contact Theresa Delisle, General Manager of Justice Services, at 450-638-5647, ext. 60510, during regular business hours at the Court of Kahnawà:ke.

Application packages can be sent to interested persons by email and, once completed, can be submitted by email to evaluation.committee@mck.ca.

Candidates can make arrangements to pick up and submit application packages if they do not have access to a computer.