**HOUSE OF LORDS APPOINTMENTS COMMISSION**

**NOMINATION FORM**

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| **The House of Lords Appointments Commission will treat information provided in this form** [**in confidence**](https://lordsappointments.independent.gov.uk/privacy-policy)**. Information from your application will be shared only with people and organisations directly involved in the appointments and vetting process.** |

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| **Please complete this form if you wish to be considered for appointment as a non-party-political life peer. Before doing so, please consider carefully the notes provided, in particular, the Commission’s criteria for assessing nominees. This form should be considered in conjunction with the corresponding** [**guidance page**](https://lordsappointments.independent.gov.uk/how-to-apply-2/guidance-for-applying-to-become-a-crossbench-peer)**.****Please print or type details clearly and complete all sections.****It is recommended that you send the form to us by email at:****enquiry@lordsappointments.gov.uk****However, if you are unable to do so, please post your application to:****The Secretary, House of Lords Appointments Commission, Room G/38, 1 Horse Guards Road, London, SW1A 2HQ.****Please note that if you do use email, we will accept a scanned signed declaration on page 6 in PDF format.** |

**Section 1: Your personal details**

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| **Last name** |  |
| **Forename(s)** |  |
| **Title (if any)** |  |
| **Post-nominal letters****Please let us know any notable professional qualifications or honours** |  |
| **Other names** **Please let us know if there is another name by which you are known, e.g. professionally** |  |
| **Date of birth** |  |
| **Place of birth****This should include the town, county and country** |  |
| **Occupation** |  |
| **Email address(s)****Please supply a primary email address to which you have confidential access** |  |
| **Telephone number(s)****Please supply a number on which you can be reached during daytime working hours** |  |
| **Home address** |  |

# Section 2: Your eligibility

# Please note that only British, Irish and Commonwealth citizens over the age of 21 are eligible. You must be resident in the UK for tax purposes and accept the requirement to remain so.

# Please mark the appropriate box(es):

# [ ]  British

# [ ]  Irish

# [ ]  Commonwealth - please state citizenship:

**Are you resident in the UK for tax purposes?**

To check your eligibility, please refer to [Tax on foreign income: UK residence and tax - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/tax-foreign-income/residence).

* [ ]  Yes
* [ ]  No

**Section 3: Your application**

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| **Please answer the following questions to demonstrate how you would make an effective contribution to the work of the House of Lords and why you consider that you are suitable for recommendation as a non-party-political peer.** **Please support this with a CV (no more than 2 pages) showing your major achievements and highlighting relevant skills and experience.** **The House of Lords Appointments Commission will make its recommendations on the basis of merit**.**Please note: Answers that exceed the stated word limits will not be reviewed.** |

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| **What has motivated you to apply to become a crossbench peer in the House of Lords?** Maximum 350 words |
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| **How would you use your specific skills and experience to make an effective and valuable contribution to the work of the House of Lords, not just in your area of expertise but more widely?**Maximum 500 words |
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| **How have you demonstrated a proven record of significant achievement in your chosen field?**Maximum 350 words |
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| **What is your understanding of the remit of the House of Lords and what role could you play within it?**Maximum 350 words |
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**Are you willing and able to commit the time necessary to make an effective contribution in the House?**

* [ ]  Yes
* [ ]  No

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| **If necessary, please add any relevant information about your time commitments.**Maximum 250 words. |
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| **Please include any other relevant information that you feel has not been covered by the above responses.**Maximum 250 words. |
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**Section 4: Your declarations**

You must declare to the Appointments Commission any donation (either in money or in kind), loan or credit arrangement between you and a political party regardless of when they were made.

**Political donations**

**Please tick paragraph (a) or (b) as appropriate.**

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|  | (a) “I have not made any donations, either directly or indirectly, to a political party nor have I entered into any loans or credit arrangements with a political party. I will inform the Appointments Commission of any donations, loans or credit arrangements made while my nomination remains under consideration.”  |
|  | (b) “I have made the following donations / entered into the following loans / credit agreements with a political party."For each transaction, please include details of: i. the year; ii. nature of the transaction (donation/loan/credit agreement); iii. political party or individual to/with whom the arrangement was made;iv. amount of the transaction.Information can be provided on a separate sheet if needed.  |

By completing and submitting this form, you also agree to the following statement. Please tick to indicate that you understand and will comply with the following requirement:

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|  | "I will inform the Appointments Commission of any further donations, loans or credit arrangements made while my nomination remains under consideration and prior to the announcement of any successful application.” |

**Party-political activity**

Party-political activity or membership is not a bar to nomination. However, you will need to satisfy yourself and the Commission that you are comfortable operating outside a party-political framework, whatever your past involvement, and that you intend to remain outside a party-political framework.

**1(a) If you have undertaken any of the following activities during the past five years, please mark all those that apply and provide details of your involvement:**

* Obtained office as a local councillor, MP, MEP etc.
* Stood as a candidate for one of the above offices
* Spoken on behalf of a candidate or party
* Acted as a political agent
* Held office such as chairman, treasurer or secretary of a local branch or party
* Canvassed on behalf of a party or helped at elections
* Undertaken any other political activity that you consider to be relevant

**1(b) Please list the party for which activity was undertaken and details of involvement:**

**Or tick:**

[ ]  None of the above activities apply

**2(a) Please indicate if you are a member of a political party:**

* [ ]  Yes
* [ ]  No

**2(b) If yes, please state which party and when you joined:**

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# Awareness of the Commission

###### Nominations for non-party-political peerages

It would help the Appointments Commission if you could indicate how you became aware of its work and the nominations process. For example, Press, TV/radio, Internet or through an organisation, friend or other individual.

Please give details:

# Scrutiny of nominations

The Commission will vet all recommendations for peerages to ensure the highest standards of propriety. Please ensure that you complete the following declaration and consent section.

**Declaration and consent (See Notes 1 and 2 below)**

1. I confirm that the information given on this form is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I will update the Commission if my information changes.

 2. As far as I am aware I am not, and have not been, involved in any roles, positions or activities or have any interests that would conflict with a position in the House of Lords or cast doubt on my ability to make an effective contribution as a non-party-political member of the House.

3. **I** **give my consent to the release of information included in my application form** to enable further inquiries to be made by the Appointments Commission in relation to my nomination. This includes: inquiries made of Government departments and agencies; the taking up of references; approaches to other individuals or organisations supporting my nomination; and any other relevant inquiries.

Signed: Date:

Name (full, legal name in BLOCK CAPITALS):

**\* Note 1**: If you are submitting your nomination form electronically we will accept a scanned signed and dated version of the declaration in PDF format.

**\* Note 2**: If you wish to draw the Commission’s attention to any areas of conflict or doubt, please provide a separate, signed and dated hard copy of the full declaration(or scanned in PDF format if submitting electronically)setting these out at the beginning of paragraph 2 of your declaration with the words “Except for …” before describing the particular area, and then continuing “ I have not been involved in any roles …”