

**Candidature of
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**ELECTION OF SHERIFFS
FOR THE CITY OF LONDON**



My Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen,

With the support and encouragement of a great many friends in the Livery I have the honour to inform you that I intend to offer myself as a candidate for the High Office of Sheriff at the election to be held at Common Hall on Midsummer Day Friday 24th June 1988 at 12 noon.

I was born at Redhill in Surrey in 1935 and educated at Marlborough and Pembroke College, Cambridge and for my National Service served during the Emergency in Malaya as a Platoon Commander in the Queen's Royal West Surrey Regiment.

I read Law at Cambridge and after Articles with Linklaters & Paines joined my family Firm which celebrated its bi-centenary in 1965 and have been a Partner for 26 years. I practise on the commercial side of the Law being a member of a Committee of The International Bar Association and a former Committee Member of The Life Assurance Legal Society.

In 1958 during my Father's Mastership of The Worshipful Company of Broderers, I became a Liveryman by Patrimony, a course recently followed by two of my three Sons. After holding the usual prior offices I greatly enjoyed serving as Master of the Company during 1979/80. My direct forebears who traded as Worsted Merchants in Newgate Street were Freemen of The Weavers Company in the 18th and 19th centuries.

In May 1983 I won a contested election to The Court of Common Council for The Ward of Cheap and have represented the Ward on various Committees including presently the Port and City of London Health and Social Services, the Central Markets and the Music Committees.

I am a member of the City Livery Club and of the Cheap and Cordwainer Ward Clubs.

My wife Patricia who has her own family connections with the City through her late father, General Sir Rodney Moore, supports me wholeheartedly and it is with that support that I pledge myself, if elected, to discharge to the very best of my abilities the responsibilities of the ancient and honourable office of Sheriff of The City of London.

You have two votes. In accordance with custom please use one in favour of the Aldermanic candidate and I trust that you will give me your second vote.

I am my Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen your obedient servant.

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Citizen and Broderer

In the event of a Poll being demanded, this will take place at Guildhall on Friday the 8th day of JULY 1988 between the hours of 8.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. The result will be announced the same evening at an adjourned Common Hall, as soon as the count is complete at approximately 7.00 p.m.