



On behalf of his Excellency the Governor Mr. John Rankin, CMG, the Judicial and Legal Services Committee invite expressions of interest for the position of

JUSTICE OF APPEAL - COURT OF APPEAL FOR BERMUDA

The Court of Appeal for Bermuda is an intermediate Court of Appeal and its principal function is to adjudicate appeals from the Supreme Court of Bermuda in civil and criminal cases. Appeals from the Court of Appeal lie to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. Typically 50% of the cases heard by the Court are civil and 50% criminal appeals.

The position of Justice of Appeal on the Court of Appeal for Bermuda presently entails sitting for typically one or two of the Court's three sessions per year. The Court's regular sessions are in March, June and November each year; each session is usually of three weeks' duration. Appointees must hold or have held high judicial office in Bermuda or elsewhere in the Commonwealth. Acting Justices of Appeal are also appointed to sit in relation to specific cases or sessions from time to time.

Justices of Appeal are usually appointed for renewable three year terms. In addition to a modest annual retainer, Justices are paid on a per diem basis. Justices residing overseas are provided with travel and accommodation benefits.

Two new Justices of Appeal are sought, one early in 2018 and one from January 2019. Experience of the culture of Bermuda, its courts and legal system would be an advantage as would wide-ranging experience of the law and in particular criminal work. There is currently a vacancy for a Justice of Appeal with a strong specialist background in commercial law with extensive experience of adjudicating substantial international commercial and/or trust disputes. Experience of criminal work would also be an advantage.

The selection process will recognise the importance of:

- selecting candidates solely on merit;
- selecting only people of good character;
- the need to encourage diversity in the range of persons selected for appointment.

Expressions of interest in this position together with a short biography or curriculum vitae should be sent to:

The Judicial and Legal Services Committee,
c/o Executive Officer, Government House, 11 Langton Hill, Pembroke HM13, Bermuda
or by electronic mail to executiveofficer@gov.bm.

The closing date for applications is **31st January 2018**.