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The Governing Council of the Cat Fancy
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REF: Vacancy – Disciplinary Committee Member roles [June 2019 Elections]

I wish to stand again after a year's experience on the Disciplinary committee. Other information is unchanged from 2015.

I believe that my skills and experience more than adequately meet the requirements of the Disciplinary Committee member. Particularly in that:

- As a recognized member of the cat fancy both in GCCF and in TICA. I have held the Honorary Secretary role for Merseyside Cat Club from July 2008 until my resignation in July 2014. I have held a GCCF prefix and TICA cattery since 2007.
- I have 29 years experience of working within Health. My diverse career has required me to be self-motivated with the ability to communicate at all levels. I work autonomously under pressure to achieve expectations, meet deadlines and put plans into action.
- I have been a Senior Regional Officer for a nurse Trade union in the North West region for 11 years. I currently work within the Greater Manchester area and during this time I have built up good professional relationships with key opinion leaders and I am able to demonstrate proven ability to work strategically and manage complex cases. I lead the RCN staff and activists within this my work area and I make a significant contribution to the development of the team.
- My determination to forward my own personal interest in law has been demonstrated by my commitment to studying part-time while at the same time obtaining excellent performance achievement in my full time job. I have obtained LLB (Hons) and LLM as I believe that an extensive knowledge of law is required for my present role but also in my hobby as a cat breeder. This also ensures that a high quality of advice and support is disseminated to others.
- My role required a confident yet sensitive approach and a high level of negotiation skills.
- I qualified as a registered general nurse in 1989 and have a valid NMC registration in general nursing. I abide by a professional Code of Conduct.
- In my current employment I am an advocate for members facing disciplinary, appeals and Employment Tribunals. I am able to analyse complex information and daily cross examine witnesses. My role is one of representation and therefore non judgemental views are essential to the role. I have also worked as a legal assistant. I have represented a member of the cat fancy within a disciplinary procedure.

I would welcome the opportunity of meeting to discuss further what I could bring to the role.

Yours Sincerely,



Mrs Maria Bryant

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