



ELECTION OF FOUR MEMBERS TO THE LAWS & ETHICS COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM 11

The current elected members of the Committee are as follows:

	Term ends
Sarah Bell	2021
David Burn	2023
William Clennell	Appointed for 1 year
Heather Dhondy	2023 - Resigned
Frances Hinden	2022
Martin Pool	2022 - Resigned
Tim Rees	2022
Alan Wilson	2021

The election this year will therefore be for four positions, as currently held by Mrs Bell and Mr Wilson and that formerly held by Mr Pool & Mrs Dhondy.

Four nominations have been received for the four vacancies. The nominees are as follows and application forms for each are attached in alphabetical order:

David Bakhshi
William Clennell
Stephen Green
Peter Hasenson

Although there is no requirement for an election, a vote is required to ascertain the term of office for each nominee. Two are required for a three-year term of office expiring in 2024, the third for two years expiring in 2023 and the fourth for one year expiring in 2022.

Gordon Rainsford
Company Secretary
November 2021



APPLICATION FORM FOR ELECTION TO THE LAWS and ETHICS COMMITTEE (L&EC) OF THE ENGLISH BRIDGE UNION LTD

Please complete the following:

1 Full Name

David Bakhshi

2 Please indicate any aspects of professional experience or public service which help to qualify you for membership of the L&EC. Include here professional qualifications, experience and anything else that you consider relevant to being a member of the Committee.

I have been a professional bridge player and teacher for over 25 years.

I have been an elected member of the EBU Selection Committee since 2017, and a member of the EBU prosecution panel since it's inception in 2017 (I believe that I was a member of the first PP to consider a case!)

I am a member of the EBL (European Bridge League) investigation committee, and the EBL players' advisory committee.

I have also frequently been asked to assist with rulings and/or appeals whilst attending NABCs (North American Bridge Championships).

3 Past and present activity as a bridge player or Tournament director (at any level)

I am fortunate enough to regularly compete in tournaments all around the World, and I have had the honour of representing England on many occasions, primarily as a player, but also as a coach and as an NPC.

4 If you were on the L&EC during the previous year, what did you achieve?

N/A

5 What would you personally hope to achieve during your tenure on the L&EC?

My decision to stand for election is partly a consequence of my wife, Heather, having been appointed as the Secretary to the L&EC in August 2021.

Following her appointment, I have been made aware that in practical terms, it may be less desirable for me to be an active member of the PP, as there is the possibility that the defendants will try to raise objections based on a perceived conflict of interest if my PP is managed by Heather. I therefore feel that I could best continue to assist the EBU in matters of disciplinary proceedings via a seat on the L&EC.

I would hope to use my experience both as a bridge player, and as an official to our international teams, to assist the L&EC in matters relating to the *Law* and also to the *Ethics* of the tournament game in England. I expect that I would also be able to assist with appeals, disciplinary matters, and other issues within the remit of the L&EC.

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	<input type="radio"/> I understand the time commitment required therein and I confirm I am able to meet it	Y
	<input type="radio"/> I have read and understood the statement on good standing and agree to abide by it	Y
	<input type="radio"/> I understand I may be asked by the Chairman to undertake, or help with, one or more of the activities detailed in the member role description	Y
	<input type="radio"/> I have read and understood the policy on Being an EBU Committee Member	Y

Declaration

I know of no impediment to my being a member of the EBU's Laws & Ethics Committee and I declare that the information I have given in this application is accurate and true.			
Signature	David Bakhshi	Date	31 st October 2021



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Please complete the following:

1 Full Name

WILLIAM CLENNELL

2 Please indicate any aspects of professional experience or public service which help to qualify you for membership of the L&EC. Include here professional qualifications, experience and anything else that you consider relevant to being a member of the Committee.

I graduated from the University of Cambridge this July (Economics, First).

I've volunteered in junior bridge since the start of Covid, including a teams league and subsequently pairs sessions across both BBO and RealBridge. I also directed the Southern Counties Junior Bridge Camp in October 2021.

I am a current member of EBED's Youth Advisory Group and of the EBU's Online Ethics Investigation Group (OEIG).

3 Past and present activity as a bridge player or Tournament director (at any level)

Regular club player (and at national levels up to Premier League Division 3)

Member of the U26 England Squad

Club TD – I have directed various clubs online, as well as f2f events up to county level and junior events at national level

4 If you were on the L&EC during the previous year, what did you achieve?

N/A

5 What would you personally hope to achieve during your tenure on the L&EC?

At first, I intend to join the L&EC in a supporting role, both administratively and to hopefully offer a broader perspective on any issues that arise. I acknowledge that there is a reasonable time commitment and my expectation is that I will be able to attend a minimum of 2 (of the 3) meetings per year, along with regular communication per email.

If time allows, I'd like to have the opportunity to produce simplified versions of the White and Blue Books aimed at club and lower county TD level to make this information more accessible.

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Signature	William Clennell	Date	29/10/2021



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Please complete the following:

1 Full Name

Stephen Green

2 Please indicate any aspects of professional experience or public service which help to qualify you for membership of the L&EC. Include here professional qualifications, experience and anything else that you consider relevant to being a member of the Committee.

Now retired. MBA. 35 year career, largely in fmcg Sales & Marketing managing teams of people and negotiating with customer organisations

3 Past and present activity as a bridge player or Tournament director (at any level)

Player for over 40 years. Created new formats and run tournaments, though no official TD qualifications. Also taught "Masterclasses" to intermediate players. Currently play in Polish Premier League (much better format than EBU's version!)

4 If you were on the L&EC during the previous year, what did you achieve?


n/a – though have contributed to cheating investigations

5 What would you personally hope to achieve during your tenure on the L&EC?

Simplification of bidding regulations
Improve processes to expose and prosecute cheating

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Signature		Date	28 October 2021



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Please complete the following:

1 Full Name

Peter Lewis HASENSEN

2 Please indicate any aspects of professional experience or public service which help to qualify you for membership of the L&EC. Include here professional qualifications, experience and anything else that you consider relevant to being a member of the Committee.

I was elected on to the Middlesex County Bridge Association committee some 15 or so years ago and have served ever since. I am the immediate past Chairman and previously served as both Secretary and Vice Chairman. I have been an EBU Shareholder for many years and previously served two terms as a member of the EBU Selection Committee.

In the 1990s I began researching the history of contract bridge in Great Britain and in December 2004 became the Editor and Publisher of British Bridge Almanack (ISBN: 9780954924102).

I am a member of the International Bridge Press Association and have visited and taken photographs at three European and two World Championships in Ostend 2010, Lille 2012, Opatija 2014, Wroclaw 2016 and Ostend 2018, as well as at the first Buffett Cup in Ireland in 2006 and numerous events in England. I have had photographs published by WBF, EBL, EBU, ACBL, USBF and many bridge magazines and websites across the world and by The Daily Telegraph.

I started professional life in retail property agency in the mid 1980's with Conrad Ritblat & Co and later went on to work within the London occupational and investment markets, across the spectrum of commercial and residential property. Since 2000, I have run my own consultancy advising clients on property purchases, disposals, development, letting and investment. I offer a hugely personalised and discreet service for the most demanding and exacting clients, backed up by an intimate knowledge of the prime Central, North and North-West London markets. My clients include leading professionals, entrepreneurs, fund managers and family offices.

3 Past and present activity as a bridge player or Tournament director (at any level)

I have won various national and regional championships including the 2016 EBU National Pairs. My NGS raking today is 64.27% which makes me an Ace of Diamonds.

Together with my bridge partner David Sherman, I have played in Common Market (European Union), European and World Pairs in Ostend 1996, The Hague 1997, Lille 1998 and Wroclaw 2016.

I made my debut as NPC for EBU at the 2019 Home International Championships, which my team won. I captained England at both weekends the following year when we won by a record margin.

4 If you were on the L&EC during the previous year, what did you achieve?

N/A

5 What would you personally hope to achieve during your tenure on the L&EC?

I hope I may be able to use the experience I have gathered over the years to assist the Committee in its endeavours in a positive manner.

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Signature	<i>Peter Hasenson</i>	Date	05/11/2021
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