



*Election of Sheriffs for the City of London*  
*On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2005*  
**Candidature of KEVIN DAVID NICHOLAS KEARNEY**  
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My Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Encouraged by my friends in the Livery and the Worshipful Company of Pewterers, I now offer myself as a candidate for the High Office of Sheriff at the election to be held in Common Hall at Guildhall on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> June 2005 at TWELVE NOON. I invite you to use one of your two votes to support me and the other to support Alderman John Stuttard.

Educated at Ampleforth, I read chemistry at University College, Oxford, qualified as a Chartered Patent Agent and became a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Patent Agents in 1966. In my career with Kilburn & Strode I worked on all aspects of intellectual property, becoming an Equity Partner in 1969 and Senior Partner from 1996 until I retired in 2001. I was President of the Licensing Executive Society (LES) Great Britain and Ireland, and Joint Chairman of the Education Committee of LES International.

This work included the assessment, valuation, buying, selling and licensing of technology and intellectual property, while the creation, prosecution, and contesting of patent, trademark and design rights covered a wide range of disciplines and philosophies. I have worked closely at national and international level with businessmen, scientists, lawyers, bankers and accountants, to meet the legal, technical and commercial needs of individuals and companies – from start-ups to multi-nationals.

I became a Freeman and Liveryman of the Pewterers' Company in 1965, joined its Court in 1988, and served as Master in 2002/3. I am now Chairman of my Past Masters Association, a member of the City Livery Club, Bassishaw, Cripplegate and United Wards Clubs, and of the Incorporation of Hammermen of Glasgow.

I am a Life Governor of the Sheriffs' and Recorder's Fund, and of the Corporation of the Sons of the Clergy, a member of the City Branch of the Royal Society of St. George, and a Trustee of the Pewterers' Seahorse Trust. Reflecting my concern for enlightened education is my association with Fairbridge, which supports inner city youth, and my liaison for the Pewterers with the City of London Schools. Other enthusiasms include monumental brasses, Japanese art and culture, watercolour painting, gardening and golf.

My wife Mary is a 4th generation Pewterer and Liveryman. Her work and interests have focused on the voluntary sector: 28 years as a Magistrate; 16 years as a Borough Councillor, culminating as Mayor; 13 years in Surrey Social Services; and director or trustee of several voluntary organizations. I am delighted to have the full support of Mary and our family.

If elected to this high office, I believe I bring a fitting combination of skills, interests and commitment for discharging its duties and responsibilities, both in the Central Criminal Court, and in the Civic team supporting the Lord Mayor as he promotes the UK and the City's financial pre-eminence worldwide.

I am, my Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen,  
 Your obedient Servant,

*Kevin Kearney*

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*Citizen and Pewterer*

**Admission to Common Hall is by a pass obtained from your Livery Company**

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