

REPORT

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Issue of Writ

In accordance with the provisions of Section 47 (2) of the Barbados Constitution, the Governor General, on Monday 22nd June, 1987, issued a Writ to fill the vacancy. The Writ appointed 1st and 16th July, 1987, as Nomination Day and Polling Day, respectively.

2. The Governor General in accordance with the provisions of Section 18 (1) of the Representation of the People Act Cap. 12 declared the period ending 11th July, 1987, as the special electoral registration period.

Appointment of Election Officials

3. Mrs. Mersada A. Elcock, Acting Deputy Chief Electoral Officer was appointed Deputy Supervisor of Elections. Mr. Carl Springer and Mr. John Haynes were appointed Returning Officer and Election Clerk, respectively. A complete list of other election officials is set out as Appendix "A".

Notice of Election

4. The Notice of Election was published in the Official Gazette of 1987-06-22, the Nation and Barbados Advocate Newspapers on 1987-06-23 in accordance with the provisions of Rule 3 of the Rules for the Conduct of the House of Assembly Elections.

Publication of the Revised Register of Electors and Register for Elections

5. In accordance with the provisions of Section 18 (1) (b) of the Act, the Revised Register of Electors was published on 23rd June, 1987, and comprised six thousand, three hundred and ninety-five (6 395) electors.

The Revising Centres established under Regulation 35 (3) of the Registration of Electors Regulations Cap. 12, were located as follows:-

- St. John's Primary School
- Society Composite
- Ebenezer Primary School

6. The Register for Elections was published on 11th July, 1987, and comprised six thousand, four hundred and fifty-three (6 453) electors.

Nomination Day

7. The following four (4) candidates were duly nominated to contest the election:-

Dr. Rameses B. Caddle, St. Stephen's Road,
Black Rock, St. Michael - Physician.

Mr. Hutson R. Linton, Sandford, St. Philip
- Attorney-At-Law.

Mr. David J.H. Thompson, 36 Appleby Gardens,
St. James - Attorney-At-Law.

Mr. Evan McG. Webster, Newcastle Hill, St. John
- Shopkeeper.

The necessary publicity was given in accordance with the law.

Counting of the Votes

8. The Votes were counted at the Lodge School. The Count began at 8.35 p.m., on 16th July, 1987, and ended at 10.30 p.m. . Mr David Thompson of the Democratic Labour Party was the successful candidate with four thousand, one hundred and eight (4 108) votes. The other candidates in the contest polled votes as follows:-

- Mr. Hutson R. Linton - 544
- Dr. Rameses B. Caddle - 69
- Mr. Evan McG. Webster - 34

Storage of Election Documents

9. The documents have been stored with the Registrar in accordance with the provisions of Rule 56 (2) of the House of Assembly Rules.

Returns of Election Expenses

10. The Returns of Election Expenses were all filed within the statutory period. Each candidate was allowed a maximum of six thousand, four hundred and fifty-three dollars (\$6 453) in accordance with Section 48 (2) of the Act.

11. The following is a summary of the candidates expenses:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount Spent</u>	<u>Date of Receipt</u>
Mr. Hutson R. Linton	\$ 3 795.75	1987-08-14
Dr. Rameses B. Caddle	4 838.86	1987-08-26
Mr. David J.H. Thompson	5 477.70	1987-08-31
Mr. Evan McG. Webster	1 018.13	1987-09-01

Election Statistics

12. Appendix "B" presents in some detail the election results:-

- (a) The number of registered voters, the number who voted, together with the percentage and the number of rejected ballot papers.
- (b) The number and percentage of votes cast for the parties.

Cost of the Election

13. It is estimated that the cost of the election will be approximately twenty-eight thousand, two hundred and ninety-nine dollars and nineteen cents (\$28 299.19). An analysis of this total is set out below:-

(a) Election Officers	\$ 7 465.00
(b) Rental of Buildings	1 750.00
(c) Publishing Notices	2 860.40
(d) Island Constables	1 932.00
(e) Police	2 800.00
(f) Rental of Vehicles (Coaches)	5 250.00
(g) Travelling	1 920.70
(h) Miscellaneous	4 121.09
(i) Contingencies	200.00
	28 299.19

The following is a summary of the candidates expenses:-

General

14. The performance of the election officials was of a very high standard. I therefore extend thanks to all persons for their assistance and co-operation.

D.A. Smith

1987-09-23

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Supervisor of Elections.

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LIST OF ELECTION OFFICERS - PRESIDING OFFICERS

JA1	St. Margaret's Composite	(1)	Roosevelt R. Taitt, Foster Hall, St. John.
JA2	St. John's Primary School	(1)	Whitfield N. Toppin, Venture, St. John.
		(2)	Grantley Brathwaite, Massiah Street, St. John.
JA3	St. John's Church House	(1)	Allan Weekes, Four Roads, St. John.
JA4	Residence of Mrs. Teka Lashley, Edgecliffe	(1)	Cecil Holdipp, Glenburnie, St. John.
JB1	Gall Hill Community Centre	(1)	Matthew Farley, Wilson Hill, St. John.
JC1	Church Army Hall, Spooners	(1)	Collin Forde, Massiah Street, St. John.
JC2	Presentation College	(1)	Lorton Moore, Edgecliffe, St. John.
		(2)	Bertram Toppin, Venture, St. John.
JD1	St. Gabriel's Church	(1)	Carveane Proverbs, Kendal, St. John.
JD2	Lodge School	(1)	Kathleen Greaves, Massiah Street, St. John.
JD3	Ebenezer Primary School	(1)	Velda Brathwaite, Kendal, St. John.
		(2)	Arthur Parris, Halton Lane, St. John.
JE1	St. Mark's Church Hall	(1)	John Goddard, College Savannah, St. John.
JE2	Society Composite	(1)	Gloria Puckerin, Stewarts Hill, St. John.
JE3	St. Raphael's Church, Massiah Street,	(1)	Wendy Antrobus, Stuarts Hill, St. John.

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LIST OF ELECTION OFFICERS - POLL CLERKS

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| JA1 | St. Margaret's Composite | (1) | Corene Haynes,
St. Margaret's
Village, St. John. |
| | | (2) | Rhona White,
Glenburnie, St. John. |
| JA2 | St. John's Primary School | (1) | Alwyn Lewis,
Society Hill, St. John. |
| | | (2) | Veronica Wiggins,
Newcastle, St. John. |
| | | (1) | Rosalie Miller,
Martins Bay, St. John. |
| | | (2) | Hal Prescod,
Rosegate, St. John. |
| JA3 | St. John's Church House | (1) | Valda Maynard,
Sherbourne No. 3,
St. John. |
| | | (2) | Glenda Sealey,
Coach Hill, St. John. |
| JA4 | Residence of Mrs. Teka Lashley,
Edgecliffe | (1) | Glenroy H. White,
Glenburnie, St. John. |
| | | (2) | Mary Butcher,
Foster Hall, St. John. |
| JB1 | Gall Hill Community Centre | (1) | Orry Butcher,
Eastpoint, St. Philip. |
| | | (2) | Jennifer R. Howell,
Clifton Hall, St. John. |
| JC1 | Church Army Hall, Spooners | (1) | Jennifer Jackman,
Wilson Hill, St. John. |
| | | (2) | Brenda Weekes,
Four Roads, St. John. |
| JC2 | Presentation College | (1) | Samantha Haynes,
Coach Hill, St. John. |
| | | (2) | Heather Craigg,
Massiah Street,
St. John. |

- JC2 Presentation College (1) Robert Gill,
Four Roads, St. John.
- (2) Gloria S. Haynes,
Massiah Street,
St. John.
- JD1 St. Gabriel's Church, Kendal (1) Cheryl Sargeant,
Cliff, St. John.
- (2) John Haynes,
Ebenezer, St. Philip.
- JD2 Lodge School (1) Norma Browne,
Massiah Street,
St. John.
- (2) Pauline Codrington,
Rosegate, St. John.
- JD3 Ebenezer Primary School (1) Cherron Haynes,
Ebenezer, St. Philip.
- (2) Peggy Haynes,
Ebenezer, St. Philip.
- (1) Basil Harewood,
Stewart Hill, St. John.
- (2) Carla Springer,
Evelyn, St. Philip.
- JE1 St. Mark's Church Hall (1) Victor Hurdle,
College Savannah,
St. John.
- (2) Rose Greaves,
Massiah Street,
St. John.
- JE2 Society Composite (1) Etwyn Greaves,
Massiah Street,
St. John.
- (2) Winfield Forde,
Sealy Hall, St. John.
- JE3 St. Raphael's Church,
Massiah Street (1) Janice Greenidge,
Massiah Street,
St. John.
- (2) Trevor Waldron,
Nr. Massiah Street,
St. John.

RESERVE: Rhonda Sealy,
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LIST OF ELECTION OFFICERS - COUNTING CLERKS

- (1) Mr. Arthur Parris, Halton Lane, St. John.
- (2) Mr. Matthew Farley, Wilson Hill, St. John.
- (3) Mr. Orry Butcher, Eastpoint, St. Philip.
- (4) Miss Vida Glasgow, Gall Hill No. 1, St. John.
- (5) Mr. Allan Weekes, Four Roads, St. John.
- (6) Mrs. Glenda Sealey, Coach Hill, St. John.
- (7) Mr. Orlando Jones, Massiah Street, St. John.
- (8) Mr. Victor Hurdle, College Savannah, St. John.

RESERVE

Mr. William Clarke, Bath Land, St. John.

RESERVE: Rhonda Sealy, Knights Village, St. John.

APPENDIX "B"

CONSTITUENCY OF ST. JOHN - BY-ELECTION

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS, THE NUMBER WHO VOTED TOGETHER WITH THE PERCENTAGE AND THE NUMBER OF REJECTED BALLOT PAPERS

Polling Station	Number of Electors						Percentage	Number of Votes Cast For					Rejected Ballot Paper
	On Register of Electors		Who Cast Their Votes		Total	Caddle		Linton	Thompson	Webster	Total Votes Cast		
	Male	Female	Male	Female									
JA1	480	241	239	374	185	189	77.9	6	51	314	3	374	-
JA2	692	318	374	511	231	280	73.8	13	32	462	3	511	1
JA3	227	117	110	168	75	93	74.0	3	20	137	8	168	-
JA4	547	263	284	381	172	209	69.7	4	66	300	11	381	-
JB1	576	271	305	428	198	230	74.3	4	60	364	0	428	1
JC1	247	115	132	200	88	112	81.0	2	14	181	2	200	1
JC2	607	288	319	476	214	262	78.4	3	28	442	1	476	2
JD1	403	192	211	286	145	141	71.0	4	39	241	1	286	-
JD2	251	115	136	175	78	97	69.7	1	13	160	1	175	-
JD3	974	476	498	697	340	357	71.6	11	108	572	2	697	4
JE1	593	276	317	440	202	238	74.2	8	42	389	1	440	-
JE2	321	155	166	237	112	125	73.8	6	22	209	0	237	1
JE3	535	228	307	392	161	231	73.3	4	49	337	1	392	-
TOTAL	6 453	3 055	3 398	4 765	2 201	2 564	74.0	69	544	4 108	34	4 765	10

		APPENDIX "B" (CONT'D)										
		STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOTES CAST AND THE PERCENTAGE FOR THE POLITICAL PARTIES AND INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES										
TOTAL VALID VOTES CAST	4 765	BARBADOS LABOUR PARTY			DEMOCRATIC LABOUR PARTY			INDEPENDENTS			No. of Votes	Percentage
		No. of Votes	Percentage	No. of Votes	Percentage	No. of Votes	Percentage					
232	558	201	235	101	591	13.3	43	331	1	385		
351	722	311	440	505	538	14.5	45	388	1	531		
223	512	438	221	340	321	11.2	108	215	5	440		
314	412	312	412	18	312	13	13	120	1	221		
521	125	311	582	142	141	38	38	541	1	582		
358	588	312	412	514	525	18.4	58	445	1	412		
521	112	302	458	128	530	14.3	20	324	1	588		
523	523	544	381	115	502	11.4	22	103	1	523		
551	111	110	128	12	23	14.0	50	131	1	128		
480	541	532	314	122	122	11.2	21	314	3	480		
Electorals		Electorals			Electorals			Electorals			Electorals	
On Register of		On Register of			On Register of			On Register of			On Register of	
Number of Electors		Number of Electors			Number of Electors			Number of Electors			Number of Electors	

TOGETHER WITH THE PERCENTAGE AND THE NUMBER OF REJECTED BALLOTS

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