



THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS

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**Charlotte Amalie, V.I. 00802
340-774-0001**

February 20, 2019

Assistant Administrator for Fisheries
NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service
1315 East-West Highway, Room 14636
Silver Spring, MD 20910
Attention: Hannah Hafey

Dear Assistant Administrator for Fisheries:

In accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and other related guidance and your letter advising of vacancies, I submit the nominees listed below for your consideration to fill the "at-large" seat on the Caribbean Fisheries Management Council. The names are submitted as follows in order of priority:

Mr. Louis A. Blanchard
Mr. Julian E. Magras
Mr. Claude Berry

Mr. Louis A. Blanchard currently serves as Vice Chair of the Caribbean Fishery Management Council. He has 33 years of experience as a commercial fisherman and serves as President of the St. Thomas/St. John Fish Trap Reduction Steering Committee and Appeals Board. He is member of the St. Thomas/St. John Spiny Lobster Management Committee and St. Thomas/St. John Fisherman's Association. He is instrumental in preserving the fishery through assisting with data collection on various fishery related projects. He continuously serves as a venue for dissemination of information through interaction with commercial and recreational fishers.

Mr. Julian E. Magras has over 30 years of experience as a commercial fisherman. Mr. Magras serves as Secretary of the St. Thomas/St. John Fish Trap Reduction Steering Committee and Appeals Board. He is member of the St. Thomas/St. John Spiny Lobster Management Committee, St. Thomas/St. John Fisherman's Association and CFMC-St. Thomas/St. John District Advisory Panel Committee.

Mr. Claude Berry has over 30 years of commercial fishing experience. Presently he is the Chair of the St. Thomas/St. John Fisheries Advisory Committee. He is also a member of the CFMC-St. Thomas/St. John District Advisory Panel Committee.

I have submitted a list of nominees that represent the fishery management concerns of the Virgin Islands. The list represents the results of a concerted effort to afford an opportunity to my constituency to be considered as nominees for membership on the Caribbean Fishery Management Council.

The nomination documents are enclosed for each candidate. If you have any questions, please submit them to Jean-Pierre L. Oriol, Commissioner Nominee of the Department of Planning and Natural Resources (340) 774-3320, or to Karl Knight, Chief of Staff, Government House (340)-774-0001. All of my nominees are residents of the Virgin Islands and are eligible to fill the required seat.

I sincerely appreciate this opportunity to have my nominees considered by you and the Secretary of Commerce.

Sincerely,

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Albert Bryan Jr.
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March 11, 2019

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Mr. Carlos F. Farchette
Mr. Gerson N. Martinez
Mr. Thomas Daley

Mr. Carlos F. Farchette was the Chairperson of the Caribbean Fishery Management Council from 2009-2018. He has 47 years of experience as a recreational fisherman and serves as Secretary of the U.S. Virgin Islands Department of Planning and Natural Resources Fishery Advisory Committee. He is also a member of the Pan Caribbean spiny lobster, queen conch, and spawning aggregation working group.

Mr. Gerson N. Martinez has over 27 years of experience as a commercial fisherman. Mr. Martinez a member of the Caribbean Fishery Management Council District Advisory Council; Councils Outreach and Education Committee; and U.S. Virgin Islands Fishery Advisory Committee.

Mr. Thomas Daley has over 45 years of commercial fishing experience. He is self-employed and is the owner/operator of a vessel in the commercial fish trap fishery.

I have submitted a list of nominees that can represent the fishery management concerns of the Virgin Islands. The list represents the results of a concerted effort to allow my constituency to be considered as nominees for membership on the Caribbean Fishery Management Council.

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Governor