

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1737**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*David M. Rogers*

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to advertising for justices of the peace.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/20/2023</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balseer</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/7/2023</i>

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By Representative Rogers of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1737) of David M. Rogers and Ruth B. Balsler relative to advertising for justices of the peace. The Judiciary.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)

An Act relative to advertising for justices of the peace.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 58 of chapter 207 of the 2020 official edition is hereby amended by  
2 inserting after the words “advertise his” the following:- “or her”;

3 And further, by inserting after the words “telephone number,” the following:- “email  
4 address,”;

5 And further, by striking the words “newspaper, magazine, telephone directory or other  
6 publication of general circulation” and replacing it with the following:- “printed or digital public  
7 media, such as a telephone directory, electronic or computer accessed justice of the peace  
8 directory, newspaper or other periodical, or through written, electronic, computer-accessed or  
9 similar types of communication, including websites, social media platforms, and digital video  
10 platforms”;

11 And further, by striking the following:- “, that if a justice of the peace uses a business  
12 card”.