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Jon Hammond is appointed as a Trustee of the Royal Armouries

The Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport has appointed Jon Hammond as a Trustee of the Royal Armouries. The term of appointment will run from 2 December 2004 to 1 December 2008

Biographical notes:

Jon Hammond has spent much of his career as a producer/broadcaster on television and radio with over 20 years' experience ranging from hard news to light entertainment. During this time he interviewed a range of guests from Prime Ministers to corporate heads, international celebrities to sporting stars. As Managing Director of The Catapult Group, he now leads a team dedicated to coaching corporate leaders in the 'Art of Communication'. He is a Board member of Northern Ballet Theatre, a Lords Taverner and was recently President of the Leeds NSPCC. Mr Hammond holds no other public appointments and has not carried out any political activity in the last five years.

Background:

The Royal Armouries is Britain's national collection of arms and armour. It moved from its former home in the Tower of London to a specially created building, designed by architect Derek Walker, in Leeds in 1996. The Museum is governed by a Board of Trustees, which was established under the National Heritage Act 1983. The Board of Trustees has a full complement of 11 members. Of these, one is appointed by HM The Queen, nine are appointed by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, and one other, the Constable of the Tower of London, is appointed by the Secretary of State for Defence. Trustee posts are not remunerated.

This appointment has been made in accordance with the OCPA Code of Practice. Appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process.

