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## Guam Bar Association Responds to Candidate Statement Regarding GBA Attorney General Candidate Debate

**HAGÁTÑA, Guam — September 16, 2026** — The Guam Bar Association (GBA) is aware of a public statement issued by Incumbent Attorney General Douglas Moylan regarding the GBA's Attorney General candidate debate. The GBA respects every candidate's right to participate in, or to decline to participate in, political debates. We believe, however, that it is important to correct any public characterization that does not accurately reflect the format and rules communicated to the candidates.

The debate was developed with fairness, balance, and neutrality as its primary considerations. The moderator will be neither a member of the GBA nor a politician — a deliberate decision intended to avoid professional or political affiliations and to provide an additional measure of neutrality. All candidates were extended the same invitation and afforded the same opportunity to participate. The GBA therefore rejects any suggestion that the debate was designed to "ambush" a candidate, to favor one candidate over another, or to compromise the integrity of the electoral process.

This is not a unique event; the GBA has hosted similar candidate debates during election seasons as part of its longstanding commitment to fostering informed public discussion. These debates are nonpartisan and are intended to provide voters with an opportunity to hear directly from candidates.

Participation is entirely voluntary. However, the GBA believes that candidates seeking this important office have a responsibility to publicly state and defend their views so that voters can be properly informed.

The GBA remains committed to transparency, fairness, and the independence of the legal profession, and to facilitating informed discussion of the issues affecting the legal profession and the administration of justice.

The debate will take place tonight, Wednesday, September 16, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. Members of the public are encouraged to tune in to the KUAM livestream on Facebook and YouTube to hear directly from the candidates.

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**About the Guam Bar Association**

The Guam Bar Association (GBA) is an integrated bar, established by Guam law as a public body corporate. Its purposes are to improve the administration of justice and the standards of the legal profession, encourage higher and better education of its members, assist in the admission and discipline of its members and in the formulation and administration of measures to prevent the unauthorized practice of law, and assume such other responsibilities and duties as the Supreme Court of Guam may from time to time determine.