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Fourteen Candidates Signup For St. Thomas-St. John Special Election, Among Them Sarauw And Harrigan (Update)

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ST. THOMAS -- The April 8 special election to be held in the St. Thomas-St. John District to fill the seat left vacant by Kevin Rodriguez, who was [barred from being seated](#) by the Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands, will see 14 contestants vying for the sole seat, among them Janelle Sarauw, whose challenge to Mr. Rodriguez turned into a saga that ended with Governor Kenneth Mapp [calling a special election](#), following [a District Court ruling](#).

The complete list of candidates was sent to local media by the Elections System of the Virgin Islands. Also among the names is former Senator Justin Harrigan, Sr., who had lost his seat during last year's general election. Mr. Harrigan came under fire in November 2015, after stating during a Senate hearing that [senators could "take" the government's money](#) when hard times hit, with the intent of returning the funds.

See the full list of names in the spreadsheet below.

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Correction: February 25, 2017

A previous version of this story stated that Kevin Rodriquez was one of the 14 candidates participating in the upcoming special election. The error was because of a mix-up with press releases. The story has been updated to reflect the correction information.