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**STATEMENT FROM THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT
INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE**

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Raymond Tate

A spokesperson for the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office said:

“Following a complaint regarding the actions of Mr Raymond Tate, a magistrate appointed to the West Yorkshire Bench in 2010, whose contact with a sitting juror resulted in the dismissal of the jury and a re-trial; a Conduct and a Disciplinary Panel found that he acted below the standard required of a magistrate and that he brought the magistracy into disrepute. The Panel recommended that Mr Tate be removed from the magistracy. The Lord Chancellor and Lord Chief Justice agreed with this recommendation and have removed him from the magistracy.”

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