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**STATEMENT FROM THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT
INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE**

Mr Dennis Barry

A spokesperson for the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office said:

“Mr Dennis Barry JP, a magistrate assigned to the Greater Manchester Local Justice Area, has been removed from the magistracy following an investigation into his conduct. Mr Barry failed to disclose that a family acquaintance residing at his home address had been arrested on suspicion of harassment. He also failed to report subsequent developments in the proceedings, which culminated in the individual being sent to prison. The Lord Chancellor and Lord Chief Justice found that Mr Barry had breached his declaration and undertaking as a magistrate and that this amounted to serious misconduct.”

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