



Judicial Conduct  
Investigations Office

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# STATEMENT

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**STATEMENT FROM THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT  
INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE**

**Mr Graham Barton JP**

A spokesperson from the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office said:

“Graham Barton JP, a magistrate from the Cleveland Bench, has received a sanction of formal advice after a disciplinary investigation found that he had used inappropriate language to colleagues on the bench that could be heard by those in court. The Lord Chancellor and Mrs Justice Cheema-Grubb, on behalf of the Lord Chief Justice, concluded that Mr Barton’s Behaviour fell below the high standards expected of a judicial office holder and amounted to misconduct.”

**ENDS**

**Notes for Editors**

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