



Judicial Conduct
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STATEMENT

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STATEMENT FROM THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE

Her Honour Judge Judith Hughes

A spokesperson for the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office said:

“The Lord Chief Justice and the Lord Chancellor have considered a complaint that Her Honour Judge Judith Hughes spoke to an unrepresented party in a family case in a sarcastic and condescending manner and banged her hand on her desk in frustration during a hearing. They took into consideration that HHJ Hughes took responsibility for her actions and expressed regret but decided that her behaviour failed to demonstrate the standards expected of a judicial office holder and have issued HHJ Hughes with formal advice”.

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Notes for Editors

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