



Judicial Conduct
Investigations Office

STATEMENT

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STATEMENT FROM THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE

Mr Phillip Brown JP

A spokesperson for the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office said:

“The Lord Chancellor and Mrs Justice Cheema-Grubb DBE, on behalf of the Lord Chief Justice, have issued Phillip Brown JP, a magistrate assigned to South Northumbria Bench, with formal advice for misuse of his judicial status. In reaching their decision, they took into consideration that by referring to his judicial status while writing to a judge in a personal capacity about a case in which he was involved as a private individual, Mr Brown had committed an error of judgement rather than deliberately use his judicial status to gain influence, and that no influence had been gained.”

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