



Judicial Conduct
Investigations Office

STATEMENT

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STATEMENT FROM THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE

Ms Ashley Babbs JP

A spokesperson from the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office said:

“The Lord Chancellor and Mrs Justice Cheema-Grubb DBE on behalf of the Lord Chief Justice have issued Ashley Babbs JP of the Merseyside Bench with a reprimand for failing to meet the sittings requirements of her role and failing to maintain contact with the bench. In reaching their decision, they focussed on the valuable role played by magistrates who are selected after a rigorous process, and then trained to be effective in the role. They accepted mitigation offered by Ms Babbs and noted that she had expressed a desire to continue serving as a magistrate.”

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