



Judicial Conduct  
Investigations Office

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# STATEMENT

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## STATEMENT FROM THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE

**Mr Sunil Lakhani JP**

A spokesperson for the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office said:

“Sunil Lakhani, a former magistrate of the North-West London Bench was subject to a disciplinary investigation after three magistrates complained about his conduct while appearing as a witness at a hearing involving his son. The Lord Chancellor and Lord Chief Justice decided Mr Lakhani had behaved in a manner that risked harm to the reputation of the judiciary and refused to take responsibility for his actions. They would have removed Mr Lakhani from office had he not resigned before the conclusion of the disciplinary process.

**ENDS**

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