



Judicial Conduct
Investigations Office

STATEMENT

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STATEMENT FROM THE JUDICIAL CONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE

His Honour Judge Mark Anthony Horton

A spokesperson from the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office said:

"The Lord Chancellor and Lord Chief Justice have issued a formal warning to His Honour Judge Mark Anthony Horton, a circuit judge based at Bristol Crown Court after an investigation determined that he did not exercise appropriate caution when a family business of which he was a shareholder found itself in a dispute. He personally expressed his views of the law, threatened legal action, and exerted pressure in circumstances when he was aware that his judicial status was known to those he was communication with."

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