



Statement

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STATEMENT FROM THE OFFICE FOR JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS

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His Honour Judge Trigger

A spokesperson for the Office for Judicial Complaints said:

“The Lord Chief Justice has decided to refer HH Judge Trigger to the Office for Judicial Complaints (OJC), following comments the judge made in open court in the sentencing of Lucien McClearley at Liverpool Crown Court on 28 July 2009. The referral is not related to the judge's comments on the specific case or the sentence passed. The OJC have been asked to focus on the propriety of the judge's statements and assertions, and whether they went beyond the facts of the case and extended overtly into the political arena.”

Notes for Editors

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