



# STATEMENT

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## STATEMENT FROM THE OFFICE FOR JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS

### MR GRAHAM SINCLAIR

#### **A spokesperson for the Office for Judicial Complaints said:**

"Mr Graham Sinclair, a magistrate appointed to the Waltham Forest Bench, failed to notify the Department for Work and Pensions of a material change in circumstances that would have affected his entitlement to benefit. A judicial investigation found his actions fell below the standards expected of a magistrate. As a result, the Lord Chief Justice and the Lord Chancellor have agreed that Mr Sinclair should be removed from the magistracy."

**ENDS**

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