



STATEMENT

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STATEMENT FROM THE OFFICE FOR JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS

MR STEVEN COHEN

A spokesperson for the Office for Judicial Complaints said:

“Mr Steven Cohen, a magistrate appointed to the Barnet Bench, has not sat as a magistrate since 2003, following the completion of family proceedings in the High Court. In addition he failed to keep the court informed of the progress and outcome of the proceedings he had been involved in, nor has he co-operated with requests from the court to investigate his circumstances and conduct. As a result, the Lord Chief Justice and the Lord Chancellor have agreed that Mr Cohen should be removed from the magistracy.”

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