



STATEMENT

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STATEMENT FROM THE OFFICE FOR JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS

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MRS TERESA CLARKE

A spokesperson for the Office for Judicial Complaints said:

“Mrs Teresa Clarke, a magistrate appointed to the Halton Bench, demonstrated a lack of commitment and reliability in failing to attend scheduled hearings without providing reasons. Further, Mrs Clarke has failed to maintain contact with the Advisory Committee, despite numerous attempts to contact her. In the circumstances, the Lord Chief Justice and the Lord Chancellor have removed Mrs Clarke from the magistracy.”

ENDS

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