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The QUEEN has been pleased by Warrants under Her Royal Sign Manual dated 1st July 1991 to appoint Anura Cooray, Esquire and Jonathan Bertram Robert Louis Langdon, Esquire, to be Circuit Judges in accordance with the Courts Act 1971. (038)

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The QUEEN has been pleased to issue a Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual in form following:

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith, to

Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Cousin Walter Garrison, Viscount Runciman of Doxford, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire;

Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Counsellor Sir John Douglas May. Knight:

Our Trusty and Well-beloved:

Sir Robert Sidney Bunyard, Knight, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, upon whom has been conferred The Queen's Police Medal for Distinguished Service;

Sir John Ivan Cadogan, Knight, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire;

John Charles Gunn:

Yve Monica Newbold;

Usha Kumari Prashar;

Anne Judith Rafferty, One of Our Counsel learned in the Law; Sir John Michael Wickerson, Knight;

Sir Philip John Woodfield, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:

Michael Zander;

Greeting!

WHEREAS We have deemed it expedient that a Commission should forthwith issue to examine the effectiveness of the criminal justice system in England and Wales in securing the conviction of those guilty of criminal offences and the acquittal of those who are innocent, having regard to the efficient use of resources, and in particular to consider whether changes are needed in:

- i. the conduct of police investigations and their supervision by senior police officers, and in particular the degree of control that is exercised by those officers over the conduct to the investigation and the gathering and preparation of evidence;
- ii. the role of the prosecutor in supervising the gathering of evidence and deciding whether to proceed with a case, and the arrangements for the disclosure of material, including unused material, to the defence;
- iii. the role of experts in criminal proceedings, their responsibilities to the court, prosecution, and defence, and the relationship between the forensic science services and the police:
- iv. the arrangements for the defence of accused persons, access to legal advice, and access to expert evidence;
- v. the opportunities available for an accused person to state his position on the matters charged and the extent to which the courts might draw proper inferences from primary facts, the conduct of the accused, and any failure on his part to take advantage of an opportunity to state his position;
- vi. the powers of the courts in directing proceedings, the possibility of their having an investigative role both before and during the trial, and the role of pre-trial reviews; the courts' duty in considering evidence, including uncorroborated confession evidence
- vii. the role of the Court of Appeal in considering new evidence on appeal, including directing the investigation of allegations;
- viii. the arrangements for considering and investigating allegations of miscarriages of justice when appeal rights have been exhausted:

and to make recommendations.

NOW KNOW YE that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your knowledge and ability, have authorised and appointed, and do by these Presents authorise and appoint you the said Viscount Runciman of Doxford (Chuirman); Sir John Douglas May: Sir Robert Sidney Bunyard; Sir John Ivan Cadogan; John Charles Gunn; Yve Monica Newbold; Usha Kumari Prashar; Anne Judith Rafferty; Sir John Michael Wickerson; Sir Philip John Woodfield and Michael Zander to be Our Commissioners for the purpose of the said inquiry: