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Ms Christine Darrah Clerk to the Justice Committee Room 242 Parliament Buildings Stormont Belfast BT3 4XX

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Dear Christine

## JUSTICE COMMITTEE REVIEW OF JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS AND REMOVALS ARRANGEMENTS IN NORTHERN IRELAND

Thank you for your letter of 3 February seeking views on the above issue. We are grateful for the opportunity to respond to the Justice Committee Review and enclose the observations of the Department on the operation of arrangements for judicial appointments and removals under Schedules 2 to 5 to the Northern Ireland Act 2009 for consideration by the Committee.

We are, of course, happy to provide further assistance to aid the completion of the Review.

BARBARA MCATAMNEY

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