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NORTHERN IRELAND
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NEW LORD JUSTICE OF APPEAL IN NORTHERN IRELAND SWORN INTO OFFICE

The Honourable Mr Justice Coghlin was today, sworn into office to the Court of Appeal in Northern Ireland before Sir Brian Kerr, the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland. Mr Justice Coghlin succeeded Sir Anthony Campbell, who retired on 31 August 2008.

Note to editors

Sir Patrick Coghlin was educated at Queen's University, Belfast and Cambridge University. He was appointed to the High Court in 1997 having been called to the Bar in 1970 and taken silk in 1985. In addition to being the Senior Queen's Bench judge he is currently President of the Lands Tribunal and chairman of a group of tribunal chairmen and presidents which is considering issues concerning tribunal reform in Northern Ireland. Sir Patrick was Chairman of the General Council of the Bar from 1991- 1993 and was Senior Crown Counsel from 1993-1997. Prior to his appointment to the senior Queen's Bench position, he was the judge in charge of the Commercial Division of the High Court.

Sir Patrick Coghlin is married and has four children.

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