

Email to Lord Magan from Lord Mance dated 27 January 2021

Dear Lord Magan,

As you are aware the House of Lords Conduct Committee met earlier this month to consider your one week suspended sentence for contempt of court which constitutes a breach of the House of Lords Code of Conduct:

“18. A member sentenced to imprisonment in the United Kingdom, whether the sentence is suspended or not, shall be deemed to have breached the Code. If the sentence does not engage the provisions of the House of Lords Reform Act 2014, a case shall be referred to the Conduct Committee for it to recommend a sanction.”

The Committee noted that you are currently on Leave of Absence from the House of Lords. In light of this and the circumstances set out in your submission the Committee has agreed that the appropriate sanction in this case is that you write a letter of apology to me as Chair of the Conduct Committee. This letter and your apology will be published on the Conduct Committee website. Please could you reply with the apology within the next two working weeks.

Your sincerely
Lord Mance
Chairman of the House of Lords Conduct Committee