**Appendix 10.4: Warrant to Commit for Contempt of Court**



Add personal header including:

Name, Title,

Coroner Office address

Contact email/telephone number

**Warrant to Commit for Contempt of Court**

TO the constable and others of His Majesty’s officers of the peace in and for the coroner area of (*insert name*),

AND ALSO TO the Governor of HM Prison at [place]:

WHEREAS at an inquest held this day before me [name], His Majesty’s [*Senior/Area/Assistant*] Coroner for the coroner area of [*name*], [*and jury*] sitting at [*place*], touching the death of [*name*], [*contemnor’s name*] [*here set out the action or actions amounting to a contempt*] in wilful and open violation of justice:

THESE ARE THEREFORE, by virtue of my office, in His Majesty’s name, to charge and command you, or one of you, the said constables, and others His Majesty’s officer of the peace in and for the said coroner area, forthwith to convey the said [*contemnor’s name*] to His Majesty’s prison aforesaid, and safely to deliver to the Governor of the said prison there;

AND THESE ARE, LIKEWISE, to will and require you the said Governor to receive the said [*contemnor’s name*] into your custody, and him safely to keep in the prison for the period of [*period not exceeding 1 month]* or until s/he shall be discharged from thence by due course of law;

AND FOR SO DOING this is your warrant.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND this………….. day of………..20………

……………………..[*signed*]

……………………..His Majesty’s [*Senior/Area/Assistant*] coroner, coroner area of [*name*]

**Warrant to commit witness for refusal to give evidence**



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**Warrant to Commit Witness for Refusing to Give Evidence**

TO the constable and others His Majesty’s officers of the peace in and for the coroner area of (name), AND ALSO TO the Governor of H.M. Prison at [*place]*:

WHEREAS [name] of [address], having appeared before me, His Majesty’s [Senior/Area/Assistant] Coroner for the coroner area of [name], [and a jury] sitting at [place] and having been duly required to give evidence and be examined before me and my inquest , on His Majesty’s behalf, touching the death of [name], the said[name] has wilfully and absolutely refused, and still does wilfully and absolutely refuse to [take an oath][give evidence and be examined touching the premises], or to give a just or sufficient reason for his /her refusal, in wilful and open violation and delay of justice:

THESE ARE THEREFORE, by virtue of my office, in His Majesty’s name, to charge and command you, or one of you, the said constables, and others His Majesty’s officer of the peace in and for the said coroner area, forthwith to convey the said [name] to His Majesty’s prison aforesaid, and safely to deliver to the Governor of the said prison there;

AND THESE ARE, LIKEWISE, to will and require you the said Governor to receive the said [name] into your custody, and him safely to keep in the prison for the period of [period not exceeding 1 month] or until he shall be discharged from thence by due course if law;

AND FOR SO DOING this is your warrant.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND this…………..day of………..20………

……………………..[signed]

……………………..[His Majesty’s [*Senior/Area/Assistant*] coroner, coroner area of [*name*]