



2 The Council must include:

- (a) members of the judiciary,
- (b) members of the legal professions,
- (c) civil servants concerned with the administration of the courts,
- (d) persons with experience in and knowledge of consumer affairs,
- (e) persons with experience in and knowledge of the lay advice sector, and
- (f) persons able to represent the interests of particular kinds of litigants (for example, businesses or employees).

2A The Lord Chancellor must decide the following questions, after consulting the Lady Chief Justice:

- (a) how many members of the Council are to be drawn from each of the groups mentioned in subsection
- (b) how many other members the Council is to have

| Title                        | Statutory Category | Name                    | Appointment Start | End of Term     | Current Term |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Master of the Rolls          | 2(a)               | Sir Geoffrey Vos        | Ex officio        | N/A             | N/A          |
| Deputy Head of Civil Justice | 2(a)               | Sara Cockerill LJ       | Ex officio        | N/A             | N/A          |
| High Court                   | 2(a)               | Mr Justice Simon Picken | 14 October 2022   | 13 October 2026 | 1            |
| Circuit Judge                | 2(a)               | HHJ Karen Walden-Smith  | 14 October 2022   | 13 October 2028 | 2            |

|                                              |       |                       |                 |                 |   |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| District Judge                               | 2(a)  | DJ Kevin Harper       | 7 April 2025    | 6 April 2028    | 1 |
| Barrister                                    | 2(b)  | John Sorabji          | 1 August 2022   | 31 July 2028    | 2 |
| Legal Executive                              | 2(b)  | Laurence Shaw         | 1 January 2024  | 1 January 2027  | 1 |
| Solicitor (claimant)                         | 2(b)  | John Cuss             | 1 January 2024  | 1 January 2027  | 1 |
| Solicitor (defendant)                        | 2(b)  | Nigel Teasdale        | 23 January 2026 | 22 January 2029 | 1 |
| Deputy Director Civil – HMCTS                | 2(c)  | Rosemary Rand         | 7 June 2023     | 7 June 2026     | 1 |
| Deputy Director Civil Reform – HMCTS         | 2(c)  | Emily Wickens         | 7 June 2023     | 7 June 2026     | 1 |
| Deputy Director Civil Justice and Law Policy | 2(c)  | Steven Jarman         | 7 June 2023     | 7 June 2026     | 1 |
| Consumer Representative                      | 2(d)  | Frances Harrison      | 23 January 2026 | 22 January 2029 |   |
| Lay Advice Sector                            | 2(e)  | Elizabeth Smart       | 1 January 2024  | 1 January 2027  | 1 |
| Lay Representative                           | 2(e)  | Sue Prince            | 1 January 2024  | 1 January 2027  | 1 |
| Housing                                      | 2(f)  | Andrew Brookes        | 15 October 2016 | 14 October 2025 | 1 |
| Insurance                                    | 2(f)  | Jane Portas           | 23 January 2026 | 22 January 2029 | 1 |
| Legal Aid                                    | 2(f)  | Kate Pasfield         | 1 August 2022   | 31 July 2028    | 2 |
| Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)    | 2(f)  | Tim Sawyer            | 23 January 2026 | 22 January 2029 | 1 |
| Wales                                        | 2(f)  | Owain James           | 23 January 2026 | 22 January 2029 | 1 |
| ADR Provider                                 | 2A(b) | Amrik Kandola         | 1 January 2024  | 1 January 2027  | 1 |
| ADR Provider (determinative)                 | 2A(b) | Rebecca Hilsenrath KC | 1 April 2025    | 31 March 2028   | 1 |
| Analysis / information / econometrics        | 2A(b) | Natalie Byrom         | 1 August 2022   | 31 July 2025    | 1 |

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|-------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| Digital technologies /<br>information<br>technologies | 2A(b) | VACANT            |                 |                 |   |
| Legal Academic                                        | 2A(b) | Naomi Creutzfeldt | 23 January 2026 | 22 January 2029 | 1 |