

## Justice Out of London

### Appendix B

#### A. The shape of Queen's Bench need and deployment

1. There were in February 2005 72 Queen's Bench Division judges (excluding Bratza J, who is permanently in Strasbourg). Their deployment is an immensely complicated jigsaw in which the pieces rarely all stay still.
2. The approximate *shape* of the current practical need for judges sitting in QB jurisdictions and of the deployment of the 72 QB judges is as follows. These figures are not examples of actual practical need or deployment; but a simplified theoretical version to show the general shape.

**Table 1**

<b>Court</b>	<b>Need</b>	<b>QB judges</b>
Civil Appeals	1	0
CACD	12	9
Divisional Court	1	1
Administrative Court (inc. SIAC)	9	7
QB non-jury and jury list	9	7
Court 37	1	1
Commercial and Admiralty Court	10	9
TCC	1	1
EAT	2	1
IAT/SIAC	1	1
Law Commission	1	1
Long criminal trials	6	5
Long civil trials/Inquiries	2	2
Circuits	25	23
Tribunals/conferences/etc.	1	1
Compensatory leave/illness	3	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>72</b>

3. The table shows an endemic "shape" deficiency in the order of 13 judges.
4. The deficiencies between the practical need and the actual number of QB judges are in general accommodated as follows:

- Civil Appeals: not filled
- CACD: Family Division judges, senior circuit judges, retired judges;
- Administrative Court: FD or Ch.D judges, deputies, retired judges;
- QB list: deputies, including circuit judge deputies;
- Commercial Court: deputies, mercantile judges;
- EAT: filled half the time by a QB judge, thereby reducing resources;
- Long criminal trials: retired judges;
- Circuits: retired judges or not filled.

### E. Summary

97. A tabulated summary of this discussion assesses the true need for judges in the QBD as follows:

**Table 2**

<b>Court</b>	<b>Need</b>	<b>Reference paragraph</b>
Civil Appeals	0	24
CACD	12	42
Divisional Court	1	42
Administrative Court (inc. SIAC)	8	45
QB non-jury and jury list	7	57
Court 37	1	58
Commercial and Admiralty Court	9	62
TCC	3	64
EAT	2	71
IAT/SIAC	1	72
Law Commission	1	73
Long criminal trials	5	79
Long civil trials/Inquiries	2	81
Circuits	[25]	88
Tribunals/conferences/etc.	1	89
Compensatory leave/illness	2½	93/95
<b>Total</b>	<b>80½</b>	