



JUDICIARY OF
ENGLAND AND WALES

CIVIL COURTS STRUCTURE REVIEW

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- To carry out a review of the structure by which the Civil Courts (namely the County Court, the High Court and the Court of Appeal) provide the State's service for the resolution of civil disputes in England and Wales.
- To review the boundaries between the Civil Courts and (i) the Family Court (ii) the Tribunals Service and (iii) other private providers of civil dispute resolution services, but not the internal structures of those other entities.
- To make recommendations for structural change including, in particular, the structures by which the fruits of the Reform Programme may best be integrated into the present structure of the Civil Courts.
- To make recommendations for the deployment of judges and delegated judicial officers to particular classes of case.
- To carry out such informal consultation with judges, the professions and stakeholders as the timeframe permits.
- To make a written interim report to the Lord Chief Justice and to the Master of the Rolls (as Head of Civil Justice) by the end of 2015.