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Urgent Notice of Appeal

To: The Court Manager Highbury & Islington Magistrates’ Court 51 Holloway Road London N7 8JA

Case Urn: 01YE1267925

Subject: *Notice of Appeal Against Conviction – Simon Paul Cordell*

**I, Simon Paul Cordell, hereby give notice that I wish to appeal against my conviction for “Threats to Cause Criminal Damage” imposed at Highbury & Islington Magistrates’ Court on 12 June 2026.*

Conviction

- **Offence**: Threats to cause criminal damage
- **Court**: Highbury & Islington Magistrates’ Court
- **Date**: 12 June 2026
- **Outcome**: Wrongly found guilty
- **Representation**: No solicitor at trial
- **Appeal window**: 21 days (deadline: 3 July 2026)
- **Grounds**: Procedural unfairness and lack of disclosure

Grounds of Appeal (summary):

- **I am innocent of the allegation.** The conviction does not reflect the true facts of the incident and key contextual information was never considered by the court.
- **I had no legal representation at any stage**, including trial, through no fault of my own. Two solicitor firms failed to submit my CRM14 legal aid applications, leaving me unrepresented and appointed representation only for cross examination under section 36 alone through the hearing stage and trial.
- **My legal aid was never processed**, despite me signing **two CRM14 forms** and a **legal aid transfer form**. This administrative failure removed my right to legal advice and a fair trial.
- **I received no disclosure at all** — no MG11, MG5, CAD logs, unused material, or CPS bundle. Nothing was served to me by post, email, or in person.

- **My defence evidence was ignored** by both CPS and the court, even after they were formally placed on notice of it.
- **I could not challenge the prosecution evidence** or cross-examine witnesses because I had no disclosure, no solicitor, and no opportunity to prepare.
- **I requested an adjournment** because the trial was listed on the **same day as my mother's funeral**, and I was grieving, vulnerable, and unfit to participate. The court refused.
- **The trial was forced to proceed while I was unfit**, unrepresented, and denied disclosure.
- **The proceedings breached Article 6 ECHR**, including the right to: – legal representation – disclosure – adequate time to prepare – equality of arms – a fair hearing
- **The conviction is unsafe** due to multiple procedural failures, denial of representation, denial of disclosure, refusal of adjournment, and failure to consider my vulnerability.

I request:

- The case be listed for appeal at the Crown Court.
- The full case file is to be disclosed to me.
- Audio recordings and transcripts be provided.

Signed: Mr. Simon Paul Cordell

Date: 30 June 2026

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