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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2004 No. 2192**

**CORONERS**

**The Hertfordshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 2004**

*Made* - - - - - *23rd August 2004*  
*Laid before Parliament* *3rd September 2004*  
*Coming into force* - - - *1st October 2004*

Whereas:

(1) the Council of the County of Hertfordshire have, in pursuance of section 4(2) of the Coroners Act 1988(1) and after due compliance with the provisions of the Coroners (Orders as to Districts) Rules 1927(2), submitted to the Secretary of State a draft Order providing for the alteration of the existing division of that county into coroners' districts; and

(2) the Secretary of State has made such modifications of the draft Order as he thinks fit;

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 4(2) of that Act, hereby makes the following Order:

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Hertfordshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 2004.

(2) This Order shall come into force on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2004.

(3) This Order shall not have effect in relation to any inquest begun before the day on which it comes into force or to any post-mortem examination which, before that day, a coroner has directed or requested a medical practitioner to make.

2.—(1) The existing coroners' districts of Hertford and West and North Hertfordshire shall be amalgamated to form a single coroner's district called the Hertfordshire Coroner's District.

3. Accordingly, the County of Hertfordshire shall constitute a single coroner's district consisting of the whole of that county.

4. The Hertfordshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 2002 (3) is hereby revoked.

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(1) 1988 c. 13.  
(2) S.R. & O. 1927/343.  
(3) SI 2002/3084

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Home Office  
23rd August 2004

*Paul Goggins*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The County of Hertfordshire was divided into five coroners' districts by the Hertfordshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974. Two of those districts were amalgamated by the Hertfordshire (Coroners' Districts)(Amendment) Order 1974, a third by the Hertfordshire (Coroners' Districts)(Amendment) Order 1998 which also renamed the coroner's district created in 1974. The resulting district was then amalgamated with a fourth district in 2002 by the Hertfordshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 2002 which revoked the Hertfordshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 and the 1998 Order, the 1974 amendment order having been previously revoked. The County of Hertfordshire was thus divided into the Hertford coroner's district and the West and North Hertfordshire coroner's district.

This Order amalgamates those two districts to create a single coroner's district. The County of Hertfordshire therefore now comprises a single coroner's district known as the Hertfordshire coroner's district.