EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Civil Courts Order 1983 so as to close the Shoreditch County Court and the Clerkenwell County Court. It provides for a new county court, at Farringdon London EC1, named Clerkenwell & Shoreditch County Court.

The new Clerkenwell & Shoreditch County Court has jurisdiction in proceedings commenced before the coming in to force of this Order in the Shoreditch or the Clerkenwell County Courts. The Clerkenwell & Shoreditch County Court is excluded from having jurisdiction proceedings under the Insolvency Act 1986.

Central London County Court is assigned for the purpose of proceedings under the Race Relations Act 1976 as the district for the Clerkenwell & Shoreditch County Court.

The Order also makes corrections consequential on the Civil Courts (Amendment No 3) Order 1992, which established the Central London County Court and closed the Bloomsbury County Court and the Westminster County Court.