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Statement by Lord Wakeham on Ian Brady's attempt to take PCC to judicial review

I note that Ian Brady was today refused by the High Court leave to apply for a judicial review against the Press Complaints Commission.

I am very pleased that the Court has expressly confirmed that the PCC approaches in a correct and fair manner its application of the press' privacy code.

In my view this decision strengthens the Commission in its task of supervising a voluntary system of self-regulation within which individuals and organisations can resolve their differences with the press, without placing a burden on the public purse or undermining freedom of speech and expression.

ENDS

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