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Whitehall, December 6, 1934.

The KING has been pleased to issue a Commission under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual to the following effect:—

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas KING, Defender of the Faith, to

Our Right Trusty and Well beloved Cousin and Counsellor William Robert Wellesley, Earl Peel, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, upon whom has been conferred the Territorial Decoration;

Our Right Trusty and Well beloved Counsellor Ernest Murray, Baron Hanworth, Knight Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Master of the Rolls;

Our Trusty and Well beloved:—

Sir Claud Schuster, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of Our Royal Victorian Order, one of Our Counsel learned in the Law;

John Gordon Archibald, Esquire;

Edward Clement Davies, Esquire, one of Our Counsel learned in the Law;

Walter Turner Monckton, Esquire, one of Our Counsel learned in the Law; and

Harold Lawson Murphy, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law,

Greeting!

Whereas We have deemed it expedient that a Commission should forthwith issue to enquire into the state of business in the King's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice and to report whether, with a view to greater despatch, any reforms should be adopted, and in particular what is the judicial strength required to deal with the business, whether there should be any further fusion or further sub-division of the Divisions of the Supreme Court, whether any alterations should be made in the Circuits of the Judges, whether any further measure should be taken for the devolution of work from the High Court to the County Court, and whether a retiring age should be imposed upon those appointed in the future to the Bench of the Supreme Court.

Now know Ye that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your knowledge and ability, have authorised and appointed, and do by these Presents authorise and appoint you the said William Robert Wellesley, Earl Peel (Chairman); Ernest Murray, Baron Hanworth; Sir Claud Schuster; John Gordon Archibald; Edward Clement Davies; Walter Turner Monckton and Harold Lawson Murphy to be Our Commissioners for the purposes of the said enquiry:

And for the better effecting the purposes of this Our Commission, We do by these Presents give and grant unto you, or any three or more of you, full power to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you any information upon the subject of this Our Commission; to call for information in writing; and also to call for, have access to and examine all such books, documents, registers and records as may afford you the fullest