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Ed Vaizey, Minister for Culture, Communications and Creative Industries has reappointed Lord Inglewood as Chair of the Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art and Object of Cultural Interest. The reappointment will be for a term of two years from 1 December 2011 to 30 November 2013.

Biographical notes

Lord Inglewood, previously Richard Vane, has been called to the Bar and is also a Chartered Surveyor. Between 1989-1994 and 1999-2004 he was Conservative Spokesman on Legal Affairs in the European Parliament. He has chaired the Development Control Committee of the Lake District Planning Board and is Chairman of Cumbrian Newspaper Group, and of Carr's Milling Industries plc. He was Parliamentary Under Secretary of State in the Department of National Heritage between 1995-97. In 1999 he was elected an hereditary member of the House of Lords, and a fellow of the Society of Antiquaries (FSA) in 2003. He owns and lives at Hutton-in-the-Forest, his family's historic house in Cumbria.

Background

1. The Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art & Objects of Cultural Interest (RCEWA) is a non-statutory, independent advisory body made up of experts in the arts including the fields of paintings, decorative arts, manuscripts and archaeology. The Committee's main role is to advise the Secretary of State whether a cultural object which is the subject of an export licence is of national importance under the 'Waverley criteria'.
2. RCEWA members give their services on an honorary basis. However, reasonable expenses incurred by RCEWA members carrying out their duties can be claimed.
3. This reappointment has been made in accordance with the OCPA Code of Practice. Appointments and reappointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process. Lord Inglewood is a Conservative Peer.