The Union of Benefices Measures 1923–1952 and the Pastoral Measure 1968

Violet Maud Spencer - - - - - - Appellant

v.

The Church Commissioners - - - - Respondents

ORAL JUDGMENT OF THE LORDS OF THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL, DELIVERED THE 7th DECEMBER, 1970

Present at the Hearing:

LORD HODSON

VISCOUNT DILHORNE

LORD PEARSON

[Delivered by LORD HODSON]

Miss Spencer, their Lordships have listened with attention to what you have had to say in opposition to the Scheme and assure you that they respect the sincerity of your views. You have taken a great deal of trouble over this matter over a long period. Their Lordships have read the Answer which has been made and the affidavits of Mr. Morton, Canon Marlow, and of the Bishop and all the papers which have been filed with them.

The Scheme which has been put forward must in the opinion of their Lordships be allowed to go forward.

Their Lordships will accordingly humbly advise Her Majesty that the appeal be dismissed and the Scheme affirmed.

In the Privy Council

