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Dear Dr Horsley

**Gosport Inquest
 Mrs Gladys Richards (Deceased)**

We write on behalf of Mrs Gillian MacKenzie concerning the inquest into the death of her late mother, Mrs Gladys Richards (Deceased).

We will be representing Mrs MacKenzie at the Inquest. Please note that we only represent her and no other family members.

Mrs MacKenzie has kindly provided a copy of the letter from you to her dated 19th March 2009. At this stage we are still considering evidential issues in relation to the Gosport inquest hearing. You did state in the letter that you would be able to support an application made on behalf of Mrs MacKenzie to the Legal Services Commission for funding under "exceptional circumstances".

We are now preparing the application. If we are able to ask for your support then that would be extremely helpful and much appreciated. We understand that the Legal Services Commission would find it helpful to ascertain if:

- The Coroner supports the application for public funding.
- Representation will assist him.
- Representation is necessary.

We would be grateful if you can note our interest in this matter and if you could indicate your view in relation to public funding.

We look forward to hearing from you. Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please ask to speak to John White.

Yours sincerely

Blake Laphorn