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To: Agnew, Donald
Subject: Judicial review

Hi!

Re Gopsort inquest client

I wonder if you can provide a quote to me for applying for Judicial Review and/ or some type of injunction against the General Medical Council (GMC).

The GMC is due to hold a hearing on 8 June 2009 with about 11 families involved. This is a professional conduct hearing dealing with the actions of Dr Barton, who is at the centre of the allegations arising out of the deaths of patients. 10 families were dealt with at inquest hearings by the Coroner on 18 March 2009 for about a one month period but not Mrs Mackenzie. The inquest in to the death of her late mother, Gladys Richards deceased is not likely to happen until some time after the GMC hearings. She has been advised by the Coroner that her case is "exceptional" and arises out of different circumstances to the others.

The Coroner is still reviewing the evidence in to Gladys Richards' death. Mrs MacKenzie is concerned that the GMC hearing will be in public and that the position of an inquest jury will be compromised if the GMC hearing takes place in public and in advance. She therefore wants to try to stop the hearing in to Gladys Richards taking place until after the inquest hearing.

I appreciate this is somewhat limited information. Please can you give me rough indication of our costs and counsel's likely cost to take this to a Judicial Review. Mrs MacKenzie is looking at taking out a loan to pay for this.

Please can you try to return to me as soon as possible. I am on if you would like to discuss it.

Many thanks
Best wishes

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