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BY FIRST CLASS POST

Mrs Diane Harcourt

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Dear Diane

Gosport War Memorial Hospital

It is my understanding that the Police, with your consent, would like to refer your case to the General Medical Council. The GMC, if justified are entitled to bring charges against a medical practitioner that may affect their entitlement to continue to practice.

We have been asked by a number of our clients whose cases are being referred to the GMC if we would be willing to pursue an action for compensation on the basis that their relative died as a consequence of negligence/deliberate medical treatment. On this basis we are considering a number of claims and we would like to know if you are interested in joining them.

You may be aware that in order to bring a claim for compensation this has to be done within 3 years of the date of the accident or in this case, the date of your relative's death. Therefore in theory we are out of time. However, I am confident that we would be able to persuade a Judge to exercise discretion and disapply the limitation period.

In terms of funding your claim, you may be entitled to Public Funding. If you are not entitled to Public Funding there may be other means by which your case could be funded other than on a private basis.

Code A a Partner in our clinical negligence department based in Solihull, will be responsible for conducting these claims. **Code A** is fully aware of the background of each individual case and will work in conjunction with both **Code A** and myself.

I would be grateful if you could consider whether this course of action might be something that you would like to pursue and if so, contact my Assistant, **Code A** on **Code A** who will take some further details from you. The information you provide will be passed to Louise who will then contact you to discuss the matter further.

If you have any queries regarding this correspondence please do not hesitate to contact either **Code A** or myself.

Best Regards

Yours sincerely

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