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Catherine Helas

**Code A**

27 November 2008

Dear Ms Helas

**CORONER'S JURY SERVICE: COMMENCING 18 MARCH 2009**

Thank you for returning the form in respect of the above Jury Service. I note that you wish to be excused service on the Coroner's Jury panel summonsed for the above date. I confirm that you are no longer required to attend.

Yours sincerely

**Code A**

Valerie Maddison  
Coroner's Administration Officer

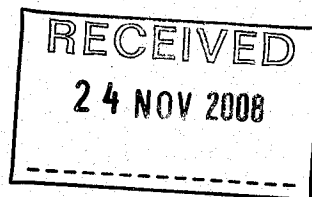
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**THIS FORM SHOULD BE RETURNED IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED  
WITHIN THREE DAYS**

Catherine M Helas

**Code A**



Please enter: Telephone Number: **Code A** ..... Date of Birth: **Code A** .....

*(If possible, please give a telephone number where you can be contacted between 9am and 5pm)*

**INFORMATION GIVEN WILL BE TREATED IN THE STRICTEST CONFIDENCE**

1. Are you **QUALIFIED** to serve as a juror?  
*(Please see attached for qualification for service as a juror - and tick the appropriate box)*

**YES**

**NO**

If you have entered **NO** to Question 1, please answer question 2 and sign the form at the end.

*If you have answered YES and wish to apply to be excused from jury service on this occasion, please go to 3 below and then sign the form at the end.*

2. **I AM NOT QUALIFIED** to serve on a jury because:

3. **YOU ARE ENTITLED TO BE EXCUSED** if you fall within any of the categories or persons described in Rule 51(2) or (4) of the Coroners Rules 1984 (although you may serve if you want to).

**YOU MAY BE EXCUSED** at the discretion of the Coroner or of the Officer authorised by the Coroner on grounds such as poor health, illness, physical disability, insufficient understanding of English, holiday arrangements or for any other good reason.

**I WISH TO BE EXCUSED** from jury service on this occasion because:

*(Continue overleaf if necessary)*

**I WOULD PLEASE ASK TO BE EXCUSED FROM THIS JURY SERVICE DUE TO OVER THE PAST RECENT YEARS I HAVE ENDURED 9 VERY CLOSE BEREAVEMENTS. AFTER THE LOSS OF MY MOTHER I SUFFERED A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN AND SPENT 2 YEARS ON FLUDOXETINE (PROZAC) FOR CLINICAL DEPRESSION. AFTER THE SUDDEN LOSS OF MY MOTHER-IN-LAW I, AND MY FAMILY HAD TO EDURE A LONG ..... (SEE OVER)**

*(If you are in any doubt as to whether you may be excused from jury service, please write to the Officer authorised by the Coroner at the address on the front of the summons)*

When you attend as a juror you may be discharged if there is doubt as to your capacity to serve on a jury because of physical disability or insufficient understanding of English.

**I HAVE READ THE WARNING IN THE SUMMONS AND THE INFORMATION GIVEN IS TRUE**

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Signed ..... Dated **19.11.08** .....

PERIOD OF LIMBO AWAITING HER INQUEST DATE AND FINDINGS.

MY PARTNER, CLIVE O'NEILL, AND MY FATHER-IN-LAW, ROY O'NEILL, ARE RELATED TO THE O'NEILLS OF BRIDGEND WALES OF THE WELL PUBLICISED "BRIDGEND SUICIDES" WHICH INCLUDED PETER, PAUL AND ANDREW O'NEILL WHICH WERE VERY TRAUMATIC FOR ME.

I FEAR THAT TAKING PART AS A JUROR FOR INQUESTS WOULD INDUCE FLASHBACKS DETRIMENTAL TO MY FRAGILE MENTAL CONDITION RESULTING IN POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER. IF NECESSARY, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE MY DOCTOR'S DETAILS SO THAT SHE COULD CORROBORATE THESE FACTS.

I WOULD BE HAPPY TO DO MY DUTY AS A JUROR IN REGULAR COURT, BUT WOULD JUST REQUEST TO BE RELEASED FROM CORONERS INQUEST COURT JUROR SERVICE.

**Code A**

CATHERINE M. HELAS (miss)



To: Catherine M Helas

**Code A**

**COPY SUMMONS**

## Summons to Juror

To **CATHERINE M HELAS** of the above address

**BY VIRTUE** of a warrant of **Andrew Melrose Bradley, Her Majesty's Deputy Coroner**

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to appear before the Coroner as a Juror

on **Wednesday, 18 March 2009 at 9.30am**

at **The Coroner's Court, in the Portsmouth Combined Courts Building,  
Winston Churchill Avenue, Portsmouth, PO1 2EB**

until you are no longer required. (It is anticipated that this will be for up to **EIGHT WEEKS.**)

You must attend at the time and place shown above unless you are told by the Officer authorised by the Coroner that you need not do so.

Dated this 14th day of November 2008

Signed.....  
Coroner's Officer

**YOU MUST COMPLETE THE ATTACHED FORM AND RETURN IT TO THE ADDRESS BELOW  
IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED WITHIN THREE DAYS OF THE RECEIVED OF THIS SUMMONS.**

Please return to: Miss V A Maddison, Coroner's Office, The Guildhall, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth, PO1 2AJ

Tel: 02392 68 8326 Fax: 02392 688331

Email: **Code A**

### **WARNING: YOU WILL BE LIABLE TO A FINE IF YOU:**

1. refuse to give the information necessary to decide if you are qualified to serve on a jury;
2. deliberately give false information or cause or permit false information to be given;
3. fail to attend for jury service or refuse without reasonable excuse to serve as a juror; or
4. serve on a jury knowing that you are not qualified to do so.