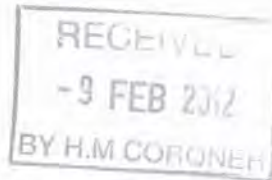


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Dear Mr Horsley *David*

Re: Gladys Richards (deceased) – Inquest

We write with an update further to recent discussion considering instruction of an independent medical expert on behalf of Mrs Mackenzie.

We have approached the Legal Services Commission and asked if they will fund such an expert. They have requested formal advice and presently we are awaiting a written Advice from Counsel which we will send to them.

In the meantime we have approached an expert who said he ought to be able to accommodate your proposed timescale for the hearing of May/July 2012 for the hearing.

We hope that this letter confirms that we are seeking appropriate permission for funding and making arrangements promptly. Please can you let us know if it would be helpful at this stage if we provide you with availabilities for attending the Inquest for the proposed expert for May, June and July 2012.

We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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