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For the attention of Mr. Horsley

I have just received a copy of your letter dated 14 September addressed to Blake Laphorn and I assume you have read my previous e mail to you. I cannot believe that you have studied all the papers (perhaps you did not receive them) or you would have noted that my mother was fully weight bearing and mobile and coherent on re-admission to Gosport and according to the discharge letter was to have a canvas splint in place for 4 weeks to discourage further dislocation. She had been kept at Haslar from the 14 – 17 August due to being severely dehydrated after three days at Gosport which is hardly surprising due to the sedation caused by oramorph, haloperidol etc. which was totally unnecessary. All the evidence has not been submitted to the CPS at anytime and during the last investigation (Inspector Williams) agreed that I should make a further statement with additional evidence from the previous ten year medical records and further papers not given to me previously by the police. This did not take place as the Family Liaison Officer would not allow it and despite a complaint to the Deputy Chief Constable the further evidence was never submitted with the ten cases sent to the CPS in 2006. There was no evidence submitted from the Haslar Staff (at the GMC hearing) who attended my mother at Haslar despite the fact that statements were taken during the 1999 – 2000 investigation by Ray Burt who was responsible for sending out officers to Germany to take statements from transferred Haslar Staff. Ray Burt's investigation was the third investigation into the Richards case – complaints lodged with the PCA for investigation failures were upheld on the previous two investigations – likewise the complaints against Inspector John James with the IPCC after 2000. I gave Williams copious handwritten notes to be included in a further statement - they were relevant – no action was taken. I did not give evidence at the GMC hearing and nobody can say that all the evidence has been heard. Mrs. Lack only answered questions put to her and gave no additional information – there was plenty. The original hip operation and further treatment for the dislocation were not a substantial cause for death – overdoses of diamorphine and sedatives caused death. The doses given would have killed a fit man in four days coupled with dehydration – when is someone going to give an opinion on that. The loss of hearing aids and glasses are not grounds for a diagnosis of dementia at Glen Heathers nor was being unable to sleep at night grounds for the prescription of Haloperidol to sedate at night and trazadon by day to perk her up – the Lee on Solent GP has a lot to answer for even more so that a psychiatric assessment suggested burning lavender oil at night to make my mother sleep – and taking her off haloperidol (Dr. Banks) At the request of Glen Heathers the GP put my mother back of the drugs within a few weeks. I gave the GP the text book Toxic Psychiatry to study the effects on elderly brains of such drugs – he wrote that he was too busy to read it. I am not totally uneducated or without a brain to understand such text books - so unobservant not to notice the procedures in some "care" homes or "born yesterday " or had considerably more experience of death and dying than most people. I hope that attention to detail will be given to this inquest – it was very sadly lacking during the incompetent investigations carried out by Hampshire Constabulary which has cost the tax payer millions. I suspect many of the officers had no knowledge of the law and indeed it is interesting to note that even the CPS went along with Adomako – the case I had suggested in 1998. I have since studied Smith and Hogan in detail in addition to my previous interest in law. There was more effort exerted to cover up the police incompetence than efforts to protect patients at Gosport. Perhaps they all belonged to the Prince of Wales Lodge together with Peter Viggers – and I comment as a Masonic widow. Gillian Mackenzie