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Dear Mr Walsh

Re: Gladys Mabel Richards (deceased) - Inquest

I write with an update concerning Mrs Gillian Mackenzie and the death of her late mother at Gosport War Memorial Hospital.

An Inquest hearing has now been listed to take place in Portsmouth on 25 October 2011, with a time estimate of two weeks. We have instructed Counsel, Mr James Meighan, of Toaks Chambers.

We would be very grateful if you can help us with a request under the Freedom of Information Act. We have written to the Crown Prosecution Service, General Medical Council and to the Ministry of Justice requesting the following documents specifically relating to the late Mrs Richards' case:-

- (i) Medical reports and correspondence prepared by Professor Livesey regarding the late Mrs Richards; and
- (ii) Medical reports and correspondence prepared by Professor Ford regarding the late Mrs Richards.
- (iii) Witness of fact statements from the nursing staff at Royal Hospital Haslar and at Gosport War Memorial hospital who looked after the late Mrs Gladys Richards leading up to the time of her death on 21 August 1998.

Would you be able to help us please by lodging a Freedom of Information Request for these documents. We are not confident that the respective organisations above will provide disclosure. Particularly given that the Inquest date is now fast approaching, we would like to explore every avenue to obtain these if possible.

I hope you are keeping well and we look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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John White