

Client: Walsall Hospitals NHS Trust - 3000074-0851  
Matter: Inquest: M Arm  
Date of Attendance: 7 January 2009  
Fee Earner: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] engaged in returning a telephone call to the Coroner Andrew Bradley.

He said he had spoken to the Police following my meeting with them yesterday.

He indicated that it was his view that the families will be best served by a public enquiry rather than an Inquest. He is of the view (with which I said I was inclined to agree) that the families are unlikely to be satisfied by an Inquest. Accordingly, he said that he had written to the Ministry of Justice indicating that it was his view that the matter should be a public enquiry and not an Inquest.

I indicated that it would not be my position that the NHS would support this view since it is unlikely that the NHS would want these issues to be subject of a public enquiry. The Coroner understood the position.

The Coroner said that he had written to me and he indicated that a pre-inquest hearing has been set down for 19 January at 10:00 at the Guildhall in Portsmouth. He had sent notices to everybody.

He indicated that the Inquest would be at the Combined Court Centre in Portsmouth.

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Time taken – 12 mins inc dictation of note.