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25th Sept. 2004.

Mr J. Templeton.

CRAGAVON AREA HOSPITAL.

CRAGAVON.

Dear Mr Templeton.

ISSUES REGARDING THE DEATH OF CONOR MITCHELL

In response to your letter dated 21.7.04 I refer to remarks that ALL matters relative to Conor's treatment & subsequent death were openly discussed at his inquest. Discussed yes, but no answers as to why it was allowed to happen and why our concerns & pleas for help were ignored!

Conor's treatment was slipshod and unprofessional. Drs. Bothwell, Hicks & Sumner all found the I.V. fluid rehydration, the refusal for Conor to be admitted to a paediatric ward and the untreated seizures as unacceptable. We tried to get medical help but Conor lay suffering all of the afternoon of May 8th 2003 & finally died. He is DEAD. Due to the negligence at C.A.H. & I find your approach suggesting that I would have complaints filed as my family to be treated there as offensive & insulting. I can assure you that no other member of my family will EVER be entrusted to the services offered at Cragavon Area Hospital and to

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Confidence regarding any man of my loved ones
being treated there? Do you think the truth-bearing
of Conner's inquest & the selective memory loss of
Andrew Muroch a basis for renewed confidence?
(He actually said that he couldn't remember 11
important issues when questioned by our
barister). Is this an acceptable response from a
doctor in whom people are obliged to put the
lives of their loved ones. I don't think so.
Andrew Muroch realised he had fooled Conner &
instead of having the moral fibre to admit this
it was easier for him to 'forget'.

I personally wrote a verbatim report of
the whole of Conner's inquest & when I read
through it I cannot express my disbelief that
once again a needless death, in this case
Conner, is another potential statistic which
is hoped will be swept under the proverbial
carpet. This is not again to be the only
Mr Templeton & it is not the end either,
it is only the beginning. We want answers
for Conner & hope if the truth is eventually
heard perhaps it will prevent any more
needless deaths.

Dr Sumner was correct when he said
that most of the steps involved with Conner,
even in inquests cases were all from the
same medical establishment, resulting in the
tendency for witnesses to be less forthcoming
with the truth than if practicing in a city
such as London, where there would be no
'old school chums' to hide behind.

Yours sincerely

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John Mitchell