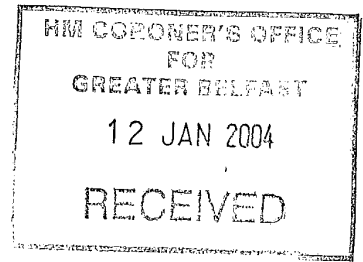


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8th January 2004

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H. M. Coroner
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Dear Sir

RE: CONOR MITCHELL (DECEASED)

Further to our correspondence we have attended upon our client who has asked us to draw the following comments concerning Dr Sumner's report to your attention. On page two of Dr Sumner's report he quotes from the notes as follows, "at 3pm the nurses noted that Dr Totton was informed that Conor was suffering from Spasms (sic) etc". Our client asks us to say that as far as she is concerned the first seizure (sic) was noted by her at approximately 11.45 and a doctor was called at that point and he noted in her presence (our client and her mother were both present) that Conor was suffering from a seizure and he told our client that he thought that Conor was having a seizure. It will be appreciated that this was not typical of Conor. After he went our client did not see that doctor again. The point that our client is making and has asked to draw to your attention is despite this observation by a certain doctor these seizures seem to have continued to 3pm and beyond without worthwhile medical action being taken on the part of the hospital staff. As far as our client was concerned the seizures were not dealt with in any way. On the contrary our clients were told that these were not seizures but spasms.

Our client takes issue with the statement on page three of the report as follows, "he was seen by the registrar, Dr Murphy, who found him to be breathing satisfactorily with stable observations". As far as our client was concerned he was not breathing satisfactorily and does not understand how any medical person could say to the contrary.

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8th January 2004

John L. Leckey LL.M.

Our client has noted on page five of the report a reference to the hospital notes, "the original prescription for fluids, crossed out was appropriate". Our client wonders why the hospital note was interfered with or crossed out if indeed that was the case.

Yours faithfully,



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