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BY POST & FAX NO:

Dear Sir

RE: JOANNA MITCHELL obo CONOR MITCHELL (DECEASED) **OUR CLIENT: CRAIGAVON AREA HOSPITAL GROUP HSS TRUST**

Further to our correspondence dated 7th April 2004. We now enclose herewith signed Statement of Mr Paul Kerr, Consultant in A & E Medicine.

Yours faithfully

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STATEMENT RE CONOR MITCHELL DECEASED

D.O.B. 12/10/87 DATE OF DEATH 12/5/03

I Dr Paul Kerr Consultant in Accident and Emergency Department was on duty in the A&E Department on 8 May 2003.

I recollect the patient Conor Mitchell and speaking to his Mother for a short time, but I was not the Doctor primarily in charge of his management at this time. Sr Campbell asked me to speak to Conor's Mother because she felt the cannula in his arm was causing him irritation and should be removed. I said it was very important that the cannula should remain in place.

I witnessed several jerks in the arm, which lasted for a brief time only. I told Conor's Mother that I did not feel this was due to the cannula and might be atypical seizure activity. She said she did not think this was like a seizure. I said I thought that this might still be possible even though he had not had previous symptoms like this.

This jerking was brief and did not recur therefore I felt there was no need for treatment at this time. I was reassured that the cannula was working properly and I was not involved in Conor's management thereafter. He was transferred to Medical Admissions Unit (MAU) approximately 10mins later.

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