

## **Directorate of Legal Services**

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23<sup>rd</sup> May 2013

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Dear Sir

## RE: INQUIRY INTO HYPONATRAEMIA RELATED DEATHS - RAYCHEL FERGUSON

I refer to the above matter and to your letter of 20<sup>th</sup> May 2013. I am instructed that it is the Trust's understanding that the Mortuary log book to which you refer is the Trust's Mortuary register. All deceased patients admitted to the Belfast Trust Mortuary (formally the Royal Victoria Hospital Mortuary) are recorded in the Mortuary Register. Information recorded on the Mortuary Register includes: -

- \* Date and time of admittance of the deceased
- \* Forename and surname
- \* Age of the deceased
- Person / contracted funeral director admitting the body
- Source of admittance
- \* Record of Post Mortem and Pathologist (as appropriate)
- \* Date, time of release & designated funeral director
- \* Initials of the MTO authorising the release of the deceased

Mortuary registers are retained. The Mortuary record of the register entry for Lucy Crawford has been retrieved from file and attached as requested. In order to ensure patient confidentially all other entries have been redacted.

Yours faithfully

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Joanna Bolton

Solicitor Consultant

Providing Support to Health and Social Care









