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Our reference: BVFOI/329/13 re Grace Danbury

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

You asked for the following information from the Treasury Solicitor's Department ("the Department"):

Further information to assist in obtaining a copy of the birth certificate of Grace Danbury born on 2 October 1929.

Your request will be dealt with by the Bona Vacantia Division ("the Division") under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Division holds some of the information that you have requested.

The Division holds a long form birth certificate on file that shows that the name of the deceased at birth was Joan Phillipa Thompson born in Norwich on 2 October 1929 and her mother as Marjorie Thompson.

The Division also holds a short form birth certificate on file which shows the name of the deceased as Grace Danbury born on 2 October 1929 in England.

The Division was informed by Kent County Council that the deceased was born in Norwich and that she was placed in the Foundling Hospital which is now known as Coram at the age of 6 months. The deceased then lived with her foster mother Mrs Ashby for her entire childhood in Shipbourne until Mrs Ashby died in 1966.

The deceased lived in sheltered accommodation due to her disabilities.

Her mother Marjorie Thompson was 31 years old when the deceased was born and her birth mother's family had a fish curing business in Leigh-on-Sea. Marjorie, the deceased's mother had 6 sisters and worked as a daily domestic help.

The Division holds no other information.