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Our reference: BVFOI/339/13 re Various Estates

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

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

Have claims been submitted / accepted by the Bona Vacantia Division in the cases of Anthony Bayliss, Sydney Bayliss, Patricia Bayliss and James Bayliss and if so when?

If claims are not pending, please can you give any further information, family details, informant details or genealogical details which you hold on these cases which would assist in tracing the beneficiaries to these estates and which you are able to disclose.

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.

Claims have not been received or accepted in the cases of Sydney Bayliss, James Bayliss and Patricia Bayliss.

A claim was received for the estate of Anthony Bayliss in June 2013.

The Division holds some family information in the estates of Sydney Bayliss and James Bayliss and is shown on the Division's Unclaimed Estates List and can be found at:

http://www.bonavacantia.gov.uk/output/advertised-estates.aspx.

The information is reasonably accessible to you by other means and is therefore exempt from disclosure under section 21 of the Act. This exemption confers absolute exemption from the requirement to provide information pursuant to section 1(1)(b) of the Act.

The Division also holds information that Patricia Bayliss is thought to have a brother.

