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Our reference: BVFOI/342/13 re Henry Burgess

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

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

I note that Henry Burgess' date of birth of is 31st January 1917 in Islington according to your records.

However, the death certificate of Henry Burgess who died on 8th December 2006 in Edmonton, records his date of birth as the 7th October 1916 in Islington.

The Henry Burgess who was born on 31st January 1917 had actually died in 1961 in Islington.

Please can you confirm that my findings are correct and whether you have any further information regarding the discrepancies in the date of birth.

Please could you provide me with any genealogical information that you hold on file in relation to Mr Burgess.

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 only information held by the Division concerning the date and place of Henry Burgess' birth can be found on his death certificate.

The Division obtained a copy of the birth certificate of a Henry Robert Burgess born on 31st January 1917 but does not hold any information to suggest that this certificate relates to the deceased in our case. The date of birth of 31st January 1917 appears to have been included in our records in error. Our records will be amended to show the date of birth as that given on the deceased's death certificate, 7th October 1916.

The Division does not hold any other information relevant to your request.

