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Our reference: BVFOI/256/14 re John Clifford

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request**

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

The Bona Vacantia list shows the death of John Clifford to be 9/7/ 1932  
The death index D001G 0651D entry 45 shows his death to be 1931, although the same date.

Please could you confirm whether or not you hold a copy of the death certificate confirming the date of death.

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

I have interpreted your request to mean that you require information relating to the date of birth rather than the date of death.

The Division holds all the information that you have requested.

The date and place of birth can be found on the death certificate. The Division holds a copy of a birth certificate with a date and place of birth from that shown on the death certificate and has no information to confirm that it relates to the deceased. As this information may relate to a living person, it is exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the Act. The information is exempt from disclosure because it constitutes the personal data of a living individual as defined in section 1(1) of the Data Protection Act 1998 and disclosure of the information would be in breach of the data protection principles set out in Schedule 1 of that Act. In particular, disclosure of the information would contravene the first data protection principle, which requires that personal data be processed fairly and lawfully.

The Division holds information that the date of birth is 9 July 1931