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Our reference: BVFOI/328/14 re Lena Allan-Blake

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

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

I notice that on your website you state that you have a birth certificate possibly of the deceased which indicates the date of birth as 12/08/1898 Sheffield. Can this be confirmed as her birth certificate, as this is at odds with the 1911 census data which has her living with her American born mother and states that Lena was also born in America.

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.

I can find no record of the information you have quoted as being held on our Unclaimed Estate List on the Bona Vacantia Division's website. Please note that copies of the list held on other sources or provided by third parties other than the Treasury Solicitor cannot be guaranteed to be accurate or up-to-date. The Treasury Solicitor does not accept any responsibility for any loss whatsoever which might result from reliance thereon.

The Division holds a copy of the deceased's National Savings Bank account application forms in which she states that her date of birth was 30 September 1898. However, this information cannot be verified. There is no information held in relation to the place of birth of the deceased.

