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Our reference: BVFOI/422/14 re David Patrick Howard Beck o/w David Beck

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

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

We have obtained the death certificate for Mr Beck which states that his date of birth is 12th October 1938, not 9th April 1938, as given on the current BV List. Can you advise which you believe to be correct, please?

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

The Division holds all the information that you have requested.

The Division holds information relating to the date and place of birth of the deceased. This information can be found on the death certificate of the deceased. Certificates can be obtained from the local Registrar where the event took place or from the General Registrar Office (GRO), PO Box 2, Southport, Merseyside, PR8 2JD or by telephoning 0845 603 7788. Further details can be obtained from the GRO's website at https://www.gov.uk/browse/births-deaths-marriages/register-offices. 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.

Information provided in the death certificate relating to the deceased's date of birth appears to be incorrect. The Division holds the birth certificate of the deceased which shows his name as David Patrick Howard Beck and the date of birth as 9 April 1938.

