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Our reference: BVFOI/020/15 re Eric Litchfield

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

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

Could you please advise if this estate is still unclaimed, and whether you are currently considering a kin claim?

Has the procedure changed? Why does the Freedom of Information Act come into it now?

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.

Although the Division does hold the information requested, this information can be found on the Unclaimed Estates List on the Bona Vacantia website at www.gov.uk/bonavacantia which includes only solvent and claimable estates and is updated daily. 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 is not currently considering a kin claim.

Enquires such as this have always been treated as requests under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.