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Our reference: BVFOI/071/15 re Jack Proctor

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

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

Please can you explain how you seem to have combined information from two separate Jack Proctors?

Should you have two separate listings?

Which Jack Proctor are you concerned with?

If it is the one born in 1920 how do you have a death certificate for the wife of Jack Proctor born in 1913?

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 Division holds the death certificate of the deceased in the name of Jack Proctor, the event took place on 2 November 1985 in Derby, Derbyshire. The date and place of birth can be found on the death certificate. The Division holds a copy of a birth certificate with the same date and place of birth as shown on the death certificate.

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.

The Division holds a copy of a death certificate of someone with the same first name as the spouse of the deceased. However it appears this person has no connection to the deceased. The information relating to this individual has been removed from our records.

The Division holds information that the deceased was a widower and may have had a daughter whose name and whereabouts are unknown.

The Division has corrected the information which is published on the unclaimed estates list. This is information can be found on the website http://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/unclaimed-estates-list.

