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Our reference: BVFOI/015/17 re William Anderson Gray

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

You asked for the following information from the Government Legal Department (“the Department”):

I would like to look at the estate of the possible relative above. He was born 23/3/35 and died 26/4/11.

Is it possible to view the document that you have?

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 you required any information held by the Division about the deceased’s origins and/or extended family and any certificates held.

The Division holds all the information that you have requested.

The Division holds information relating to the date and place of the death 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>.

All of the information held by the Division regarding the estate has been published on the unclaimed estates list here <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/unclaimed-estates-list#the-list>

The above 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.