

**IN THE BIRMINGHAM AND SOLIHULL CORONER'S COURT**

**HIS HONOUR RICHARD FOSTER**

**NOMINATED PURSUANT TO SCHEDULE 10 CJA 2009**

**INQUESTS TOUCHING UPON THE DEATHS OF PATIENTS OF MR IAN PATERSON FOR  
TREATMENT OF BREAST CANCER**

Directions in Response to Letter from Mr Paterson's Solicitors dated 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024

1. I have considered:
  - (1) The letter from BCL Solicitors (acting for Mr Paterson) dated 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024
  - (2) The submissions in response by Counsel to the Inquests (CTI) dated 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024.
2. The letter and the submissions in response have been circulated to all Interested Persons (IPs).
3. I direct as follows:
  - (1) By 4.00pm on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024 BCL Solicitors to file with Solicitors to the Inquests and serve upon all IPs submissions setting out the remedy they seek and / or the application they make including the law on which they rely in light of the assertions made in their letter dated 29 November 2024
  - (2) By 4.00pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2024 CTI to provide submissions in response to be circulated to all IPs.
  - (3) Any IP wishing to be heard on the matter must provide to the Court and all other IPs written submissions on the issue also by 4.00pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2024
  - (4) On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024 I will if necessary hear any oral submissions
  - (5) Thereafter I will provide a written ruling and any directions arising therefrom.
4. In giving the above directions I am conscious of the limited funding available to Mr Paterson's solicitors as well as the difficulties in obtaining instructions. The time-table reflects this. I also make it clear that any submissions can be either by way of a formal document or by correspondence, and if it is felt necessary to make oral submissions on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024 I give permission for remote attendance.

HH RICHARD FOSTER

5<sup>th</sup> December 2024