
From: Angela Van-Den-Bogerd [GRO]
Sent: Thur 28/11/2013 8:59:23 AM (UTC)
To: Ruth X Barker [GRO]; Belinda Crowe [GRO]; 'andrew.parsons' [GRO]
Cc: Chris Aujard [GRO]; Sophie Bialaszewski [GRO]
Subject: Re: Alan Bates commented on 'DRAFT Media Statement - Mediation Scheme Closed to Applications' in 'Mediation Scheme'

Belinda,

This is always going to be contentious as Alan firmly believes there are problems with Horizon even though SS found nothing and we've seen nothing to date to support Alan's view.
The consideration is do we want a difficult discussion now or do we want to let the evidence of the cases determine any messages we are going forward. My preference is the latter.

Angela
[GRO]

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From: Ruth X Barker
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2013 08:17 AM
To: Belinda Crowe; [GRO] <[GRO]>
Cc: Angela Van-Den-Bogerd; Chris Aujard; Sophie Bialaszewski
Subject: Re: Alan Bates commented on 'DRAFT Media Statement - Mediation Scheme Closed to Applications' in 'Mediation Scheme'

Hi

In terms of Alan's point re systemic issues this is something we have debated before with him. We had previously agreed with him to use the wording from the interim report which was that there was no evidence so far of systemic issues. This is the wording used in our releases

Happy to discuss later.

Ruth

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From: Belinda Crowe
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2013 06:43 AM Coordinated Universal Time
To: Parsons, Andrew <[GRO]>
Cc: Ruth X Barker; Angela Van-Den-Bogerd; Chris Aujard; Sophie Bialaszewski
Subject: Re: Alan Bates commented on 'DRAFT Media Statement - Mediation Scheme Closed to Applications' in 'Mediation Scheme'

On the numbers, I think that we can easily settle that today.

On the point about the system, the fact is that no such problems have been found. We cannot draft something in the anticipation that something may be. And the Scheme is not designed to identify such problems, it is to deal with complaints. For the benefit of getting something out, I would have no problems with omitting the sentence, subject to what others think, but we should make the point. I suggest we do so at the call tomorrow just to lodge it but then agree to remove it and get the statement on its website.

But I would be grateful for the views of others.

Best wishes
Belinda

On 27 Nov 2013, at 20:05, "Parsons, Andrew" <[GRO]> wrote:

Fyi comments below from Alan on the press release.

Andrew Parsons
Senior Associate
for and on behalf of Bond Dickinson LLP
Sent by blackberry
Mobile: GRO

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From: Huddle GRO
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2013 07:49 PM
To: Parsons, Andrew
Subject: Alan Bates commented on 'DRAFT Media Statement - Mediation Scheme Closed to Applications' in 'Mediation Scheme'

Two points:-

First, I thought the number of applications received, at the time when no more were being accepted, was 147.

Secondly, and more of a problem for JFSA to support, is the comment that there 'were no systemic issues with the system'. This, as most of you are aware, has been one of the key points we, JFSA, has been raising for years, and it is these systemic failures that will become clearly evident as the Scheme progresses.'

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