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Your Ref:

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Dear Sirs,

Re: Our client Susan Rudkin, Confiscation Proceedings before Stafford Crown Court

We write in relation to the statement which was received by us on 15th July 2009. It was previously agreed, in the confiscation timetable, that the Prosecution's statement would be served upon the defence by 10th July 2009.

As this statement was served later than the set timetable we therefore request that the defence be granted an extension of time to serve the response. However, we are unable to stipulate a specific date for the service of the defence response at this time for the following reasons.

We note that the Prosecution are seeking to set the benefit figure to the value of £310,460.14 on the basis that our client is alleged to have benefitted as follows:

Benefit from conviction

- Theft £43,894.15
- The gross turnover of the business £266,565.99
during the relevant period

Total £310,460.14

However, Prosecuting Counsel clearly stated in open Court at the hearing on 1st May 2009, that the total figure you would be seeking was £44,689.82 and that arrangements were in hand as £1000 per month was being deducted, at source from Michael Rudkin's salary. We would seek to rely upon this statement to limit the benefit figure to the amount of the theft and will make representations to this effect in due course.



We would therefore request that this matter be listed for a mention hearing on 21st August to enable us to deal with this matter before the Court. In the meantime we would be grateful for your views in light of the above.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

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