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**From:** John Breeden [john.breeden@postoffice.co.uk] **GRO**  
**Sent:** 05/04/2010 19:19:00  
**To:** Andrew Daley [andrew.daley@postoffice.co.uk] **GRO**  
**CC:** Robert Daily [robert.daily@postoffice.co.uk] **GRO**; Andrew Carpenter [andrew.carpenter@postoffice.co.uk] **GRO**  
**Subject:** Re: Fw: REGINA v PETER ANTHONY HOLMES CASE NO: POLTD/0809/0128 14th May 2010 for Confiscation proceedings.

Andrew,

Thanks for your email below.

In respect of this case where the SPMR was precautionary suspended on 18/9/08 when a loss of £46,049.16 was identified. The outcome of the contractual case was that the SPMR was reinstated with a warning and an arrangement put in place for repayment of the debt as follows:-

- cheque received for £7049.16

- deductions from remuneration arranged for 30 monthly instalments of £1300 which commenced in Dec 08 and are due to be completed in May 11.

We therefore have in place recovery of the outstanding debt - I hope this arrangement is acceptable to yourself?


The only one thing I am not sure of is whether the assistant was debarred in this case - could you arrange for this to happen if the form has not been completed.

Regards

John


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 Andrew Daley

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Andrew Daley

To: John Breeden/e/POSTOFFICE@POSTOFFICE

30/03/2010 16:33 cc: Robert Daily/e/POSTOFFICE@POSTOFFICE  
Subject: Re: Fw: REGINA v PETER ANTHONY HOLMES  
CASE NO: POLTD/0809/0128 14th May 2010 for

Confiscation proceedings.



John,

It's Jesmond Post Office.

CASE No PO DATE RAISED LOSS RECOVERY OFFENDER

0809/0128	<b>Jesmond</b>	18/09/08	£46k	£46k via repayments.	Holmes	Audit shortage - Absent spmr who works the pharmacy. OIC (ex Police) interviewed. Admitted false accounting, not theft Horizon data obtained and analysed, to submit file and reports to CLT. First hearing 30/3 in Gosforth Mags. Committal to be submitted by June 8 <sup>th</sup> . Referred to Newcastle Crown Court for next hearing 22/06/09. <b>Legal requested further info and opinion on expert accountants report. Appeared on 29/08/09 for mention. Next hearing 14/09/09. Appeared in court 15/12/09, pleaded guilty to 4 cases of False Accounting, 9 TIC, Section 18 served, to appear 24/01/10 for sentencing.</b>
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 John Breeden

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**John Breeden**

30/03/2010 16:05

To: Andrew Daley/e/POSTOFFICE@POSTOFFICE  
cc:

Subject: Re: Fw: REGINA v PETER ANTHONY HOLMES  
CASE NO: POLTD/0809/0128 14th May 2010 for

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Andrew,




Could you tell me which branch his refers to please.

Thanks

John


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Daley**

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cc: Robert Daily/e/POSTOFFICE@POSTOFFICE  
30/03/2010 Subject: Fw: REGINA v PETER ANTHONY HOLMES CASE NO:  
13:24 POLTD/0809/0128 14th May 2010 for Confiscation proceedings.

Hi John,

Please see below.

Our Financial Investigators will not be pursuing the debt via asset recovery.

Regards,

Andrew Daley

----- Forwarded by Andrew Daley/e/POSTOFFICE on 30/03/2010 13:20 -----

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**Andy Hayward** To: Ged Harbinson/e/POSTOFFICE@POSTOFFICE  
cc: Robert Daily/e/POSTOFFICE@POSTOFFICE, Andrew Daley/e/POSTOFFICE@POSTOFFICE  
30/03/2010 Subject: Re: REGINA v PETER ANTHONY HOLMES CASE NO:  
12:18

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Ged,  
following our discussion thanks for this.

Andrew/Robert,  
given that we will now be seeking recovery via the spmr can you ensure you liaise with the Contracts team as there may be obvious impact/ repercussions.  
Cheers,

Andy

 Ged Harbinson

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**Ged Harbinson** To: Jennifer Andrews/e/POSTOFFICE@POSTOFFICE  
cc: Andy Hayward/e/POSTOFFICE@POSTOFFICE, Robert Daily/e/POSTOFFICE@POSTOFFICE  
30/03/2010 Subject: REGINA v PETER ANTHONY HOLMES CASE NO:  
11:55 POLTD/0809/0128 14th May 2010 for Confiscation proceedings.

Jenny

I have reviewed this case and find that we have dropped the theft charge and successfully prosecuted the 3 counts of false accounting. As this defendant is a sub-postmasters assistant (office manager) and his contract is with the sub-postmaster and not us I find it difficult to quantify the benefit figure in this case. I believe that we should withdraw from the confiscation process and that recovery for POLTD should be through the sub-postmasters contract and for the sub-postmaster through the civil courts for compensation based on any contract that they believe is enforceable.

Please withdraw from the confiscation process.

Regards

*Ged*

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