

Message

To: Andy Cash [GRO]
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Subject: FW: POL cases raising Horizon

Hello both

Please see below. I half expected to receive such a response. I can clarify with Gareth that it doesn't matter that specific cases are not quoted in his report as not one of them has raised a specific issue with the Horizon system itself, they have all been generic to date.

I will confirm with him that I intend to use the same report, but I have had to run it past him first as a matter of course as he may be called to give evidence, and that I will still need an original signed and dated copy.

I will investigate the issue of costs with central funds to find out what costs can be recovered. I only emailed him directly because I know that it takes days for the POL investigators to have a response and I can't wait for days to go by.

Do you think my intended response is appropriate? Should I run this via Jarnail so that he is aware of the position?

Please advise

Many thanks

Rachael

From: Jenkins Gareth GI [GRO]
Sent: 16 November 2012 11:42
To: Rachael Panter
Cc: Jane M Owen; Thomas Penny; Davidson James
Subject: RE: POL cases raising Horizon

Rachel,

Can't you use the report I have already sent you? There is no mention of the case on the report.

You should really be addressing such requests through Post Office Ltd rather than directly to myself.

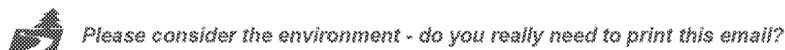
As far as I know there is no commercial cover in place for me to spend any time on such activities (and that includes the case of Nemesh Patel).

Regards

Gareth

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From: Rachael Panter [GRO]
Sent: 16 November 2012 11:30
To: Jenkins Gareth GI
Subject: POL cases raising Horizon

Dear Gareth

Re: Horizon expert report

As you may already be aware, your expert report detailing the reliability of the Horizon system has been served as evidence in a number of Post Office cases that are at various stages of the court process, most of which are listed for trial in the early part of next year.

It should be noted that to date, most, if not all cases raising the Horizon system as an issue, have been unable/not willing to particularise what specific issues that they may have with the system, and how that shapes the nature of their defence.

As we already have your detailed report, I would like to serve it in each case listed below. All of the following cases have raised issues with the reliability of the Horizon system:

1. Jamie Dixon Trial date - TBC
2. Khayyam Ishaq 25th Feb 2013 trial at Bradford Crown Court
3. Angela Sefton & Anne Neild 21st Jan 2013 trial at Liverpool Crown Court
4. Nemesh Patel 14th Jan 2013 trial at Peterborough Crown Court
5. Kim Wylie 17th December 2012 trial at Newcastle Crown Court
6. Grant Allen 10th December 2012 for PCMH at Chester Crown Court

Your expert report has already been served in the Nemesh Patel case. I would like to serve your report in the remaining cases and have attached a case summary of each case listed above so that you may familiarise yourself with the facts of each case.

I would like to stress that I do not anticipate that all of the above cases will reach trial stage. Please could you read the case summaries attached, and send 5 original signed and dated copies of your report to me as soon as possible.

I am conscious that there are a couple of cases coming up in December. In order for me to serve your report in time, please could you either send the copies of your reports via special delivery and/or as an email attachment.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me

Kind regards

Rachael

Rachael Panter

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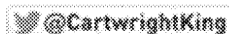
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