

Client Details



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| Full name | Post Office Ltd |
| Greeting | Sir |
| Case Number | 38660 |
| Account Ref | P00830-112-0 |
| UFN Number | Not a Legal Aid Matter |

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| Supervisor | Andy Cash |
| Fee earner | Martin J Smith |

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| Address | GRO | |
| Date of birth | | |
| Home telephone number | | |
| Work telephone number | GRO | |
| Mobile number | | |
| Email address | | |
| NINO | | |

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| Ethnicity | |
| Disability | |
| Gender | Unknown |

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| Source | EXISTING |
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Investigation Case Details

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| Full name | Post Office Ltd |
| Case Number | 38660 |
| DSCC number | 000000000000000000 |

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| Police station | None |
| Telephone number | |
| Officer in case | Sharron Jennings |
| Officer's contact number | GRO |
| Custody record number | |

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| Bail back date and time | 30th day of December 1899 at 12:00 am |
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| Offence | Prosecution of Phillip Dauncey |
| Date of offence | 21 August 2013 |
| Anticipated plea | |

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| Bail status | Unconditional police bail |
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Client: Post Office Ltd

Case No.: 38660

Account Ref: P00830-112-0

UFN:

Fee Earner: MS2Matter: Prosecution of
Philip Dauncey

Note Entry for Case 38660

Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : RP2 Rachael Panter

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 27/08/2013 00:00

Summary

inputting case details onto spreadsheet

Detail

inputting case details onto spreadsheet

PREP & PERUSAL 0:12

Total Time 0:12

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From: martin smith
Sent: 24 September 2013 15:14
To: 'Sharron L Jennings'
Cc: Chris Powell; Sophie Murray
Subject: RE: Update Dauncey

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I understand that Sophie Murray is advising in the Dauncey case and that she is currently finalising her advice. I will let you have a copy of it just as soon as it is finalised.

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Martin Smith

GRO

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Subject: Update

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Regards

Sharron Jennings | Security Manager

Midway House, 1 Elliott Way, B6 7AP

GRO

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From: martin smith
Sent: 24 September 2013 15:17
To: Sophie Murray
Subject: Post Office Ltd - 38660 - Dauncey

Hi Sophie,

I have copied through to you my response to Sharron Jennings e-mail. Upon looking at the advice on the system I could see that it had yet to be finalised as the latter part refers to Rosalind Brown. Could you let me know please just as soon as its finished and I will dispatch it.

Many thanks,

Martin.

Martin Smith

GRO

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GRO

From: Sophie Murray
Sent: 25 September 2013 14:24
To: martin smith
Subject: Post Office Ltd - 38660

Done thanks

Sophie Murray

GRO

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From:?? Sharron L Jennings
GRO

Sent:?? 30 September 2013 18:29
To:?? martin smith
Subject:?? RE: Update Dauncey

Thanks Martin

Do you have an email address for Chris. Also any thoughts on the dates for the Samra conference?

Thanks

Sharron Jennings | Security Manager

Midway House, 1 Elliott Way, B6 7AP

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Note Entry for Case 38660

Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 01/10/2013 00:00

Summary

Check position on receipt of e-mail from SJ. According to CP

Detail

Check position on receipt of e-mail from SJ. According to CP's spreadsheet this has already been dispatched but the e-mail does not appear in the outtray. MJS will send it to Jarnail again.

PREP & PERUSAL 0:06

Total Time 0:06

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Note Category : NONE

Date : 01/10/2013 00:00

Summary

E-mail to Jarnail. Is there a computer issue as the e-mail d

Detail

E-mail to Jarnail. Is there a computer issue as the e-mail did not aautomatically time record. It is in MJS sent items and so has definitely gone.

LETTERS 1

Total Time 0:00

From: martin smith
Sent: 01 October 2013 08:50
To: Jarnail A Singh [GRO]
Subject: Post Office Ltd/Dauncey - 38660 - POLTD/1314/0030 - North Cornelly
Attachments: AA Initial Advice - Dauncey.doc

Jarnail,

Please find attached the Advice of Sophie Murray. We will return the green file to Sharron Jennings.

Kind regards,

Martin.

Martin Smith

GRO

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Martin Smith

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Note Entry for Case 38660

Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : LA1 Latoya Atkinson

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 04/10/2013 00:00

Summary

Checking copying 1 unit 4th October 2013

Detail

Checking copying 1 unit 4th October 2013

PREP & PERUSAL 0:06

Total Time 0:06

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Account Ref : P00830-112-0
Client Name : Post Office Ltd
Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey
Note Category : NONE
Date : 04/10/2013 00:00

User : LA1 Latoya Atkinson

Summary

Photocopying 11 units 30th September 2013

Detail

Photocopying 11 units 30th September 2013

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| PREP & PERUSAL | 1:06 |
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| Total Time | 1:06 |
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Note Entry for Case 38660

Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 31/01/2014 00:00

Summary

TC JS: Runs through e-mail to Comms. MJS agreed with content

Detail

TC JS: Runs through e-mail to Comms. MJS agreed with content.

TELEPHONES 1

Total Time 0:00

Note Entry for Case 38660

Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 31/01/2014 00:00

Summary

TC from JS: Comms have sent something through. Can MJS look

Detail

TC from JS: Comms have sent something through. Can MJS look at. Y.

Note Entry for Case 38660

Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 31/01/2014 00:00

Summary

Dave Posnett concerned about restraint in long running cases

Detail

Dave Posnett concerned about restraint in long running cases in which no decision made to prosecute.

TELEPHONES 1

Total Time 0:00

From: Dave Posnett <GRO>
Sent: 31 January 2014 08:56
To: Jarnail Singh
Cc: martin smith; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Sharron L Jennings
Subject: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030
Attachments: Letter From Mr Dauncey 28-01-2014.pdf

Jarnail,

Please find associated a letter I received from Mr P Dauncey. He is seeking a decision on whether POL will prosecute or not. Can you respond to Mr Dauncey and copy me in on the response please.

Regards,

Dave Posnett | Accredited Financial Investigator

Security Team, 2nd Floor Banner Wing, 148 Old St, London, EC1V 9HQ



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From: Jarnail Singh GRO
Sent: 31 January 2014 10:28
To: martin smith
Subject: FW: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030
Attachments: Letter From Mr Dauncey 28-01-2014.pdf

Martin
Where are on the above please.


Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

148 Old Street, LONDON, EC1V 9HQ

GRO

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From: Jarnail Singh GRO
Sent: 31 January 2014 15:30
To: martin smith
Subject: FW: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Martin

You have copy of the attachments from Dave Posnett in the above case. Can you please review the previous advice and draft charges. Then advice how best to progress this case and to respond to Mr Dauncey letter. Kind regards


Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

148 Old Street, LONDON, EC1V 9HQ

GRO

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From: Mark R Davies
Sent: 31 January 2014 15:10
To: Jarnail Singh
Cc: Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver; Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams; Chris Aujard
Subject: Re: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Thanks. I am still unclear as to what you want from me, other than that I am grateful this has been flagged to us. My advice to security colleagues would be to respond in line with your first sentence below. I appreciate the point about drafting the contract to consult the experts but can you give any indication as to a time frame? Could we say to mr Dauncey that will write to him in Feb? Or can we be even clearer and say we do intend to prosecute?

Mark

Sent from my iPhone

On 31 Jan 2014, at 14:30, "Jarnail Singh" GRO wrote:

Mark

The simply answer to Mr Dauncey is that his case is still under investigation and he would be notified of the result as soon as possible. However given the content of his letter this has the potential to explode into adverse publicity for POL.Hence why it would be prudent for you to get involved in advising the security team as to how they should respond.

There are number of cases which are in the prosecution pipeline. However Mr Daunceys case is one which would be commenced after expert witness has reported. It had been hoped that expert would have been instructed by now but due to various reasons this has not happened.

The delay in this case is not such as to make this case 'too stale' to prosecute, especially given the value involved.

Present position is the experts can be instructed just as soon POL external lawyers have drafted the contract to instruct the experts.

regards

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

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From: Mark R Davies

Sent: 31 January 2014 13:52

To: Sophie Bialaszewski

Cc: Jarnail Singh; Mark R Davies; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver; Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams

Subject: Re: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

All

Yes, I would like to see these letters too please.

I am not clear what you are asking of us here?

I would also like a more detailed note of what is meant by the appointment of an independent expert - I think I know what is meant but would be grateful for elaboration.

How long does it seem likely to appoint this expert? Why does it take so long?

Mark

Sent from my iPad

On 31 Jan 2014, at 13:45, "Sophie Bialaszewski" <image001.png> wrote:

Do you have copies Jarnail of any letters that have been sent to Mr Daucey? Sophie

Sophie Bialaszewski | Public Affairs Manager

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From: Jarnail Singh

Sent: 31 January 2014 13:41

To: Sophie Bialaszewski; Mark R Davies

Cc: Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver; Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams

Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Hi password is: **GRO**,

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

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From: Sophie Bialaszewski

Sent: 31 January 2014 13:37

To: Mark R Davies

Cc: Jarnail Singh; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver; Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams

Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Hi Mark ? now attached. Sophie

Sophie Bialaszewski | Public Affairs Manager

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From: Mark R Davies

Sent: 31 January 2014 13:35

To: Sophie Bialaszewski

Cc: Jarnail Singh; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; Mark R Davies; David Oliver; Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams

Subject: Re: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Please can you forward the attachments? Not showing up for me.

Sent from my iPad

On 31 Jan 2014, at 13:31, "Sophie Bialaszewski"



wrote:

Jarnail,

Ruth is on leave at the moment. I have copied in Nina who is our head of PR and Mark, Comms Director.

Rodric and David Mr Daucey is not a Scheme applicant as far as I can tell. Please can you confirm?

Thanks

Sophie

Sophie Bialaszewski | Public Affairs Manager
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From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 31 January 2014 13:24
To: Ruth X Barker; Sophie Bialaszewski
Cc: Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams
Subject: FW: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Ruth

Please see attached letter from Mr.Dauncy. In this case Mr Dauncey has made admissions to significant amount of money(?52,757.24). The external Lawyers advise attached they have drafted charges and advice that independent expert is in place before prosecution is commenced. This clearly has the potential to cause POL adverse publicity .Please let me know how you wish to respond. Just to let you know steps are being taken to instruct an expert, however this is taking longer than anticipated. The reason for involving the com .team is of the potential embarrassment to POL because of delay and circumstances of the defendant. Please let me know if you wish to discuss.

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer
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Sent: 31 January 2014 08:56

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Cc: martin smith <



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From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 31 January 2014 16:35
To: martin smith
Subject: FW: Restraint Orders

GRO

Martin

As discussed POL Accredited Financial Investigator have shown concerns about the present position with regards to Restraints orders as follows;

In view of the Dauncey case and others where we have Restraint Orders in place ? I just want to mention my possible concern. The court will not sanction/authorise a Restraint Order if there are ?undue delays in continuing the proceedings or the prosecutor does not intend to proceed? as per (S40(7)) of POCA ? highlighted below. I have no issue in respect of this, as when we applied for Restraint Orders we didn?t know about the delays that were then to materialise. However, I just wonder whether the court would hold a dim view of the fact we applied for Restraint Orders but then assets have been frozen whilst there have been ?undue delays in continuing the proceedings or the prosecutor does not intend to proceed?. I think the stacking of prosecutions is one thing, but wonder whether the continual restraint of assets without much movement on the cases in question are another thing. Your views would be appreciated.

Restraint Orders

40 Conditions for exercise of powers

(1)The Crown Court may exercise the powers conferred by section 41 if any of the following conditions is satisfied.

(2)The first condition is that?

(a)a criminal investigation has been started in England and Wales with regard to an offence, and

(b)there is reasonable cause to believe that the alleged offender has benefited from his criminal conduct.

(3)The second condition is that?

(a)proceedings for an offence have been started in England and Wales and not concluded, and

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(4)The third condition is that?

(a)an application by the prosecutor or the Director has been made under section 19, 20, 27 or 28 and not concluded, or the court believes that such an application is to be made, and

(b)there is reasonable cause to believe that the defendant has benefited from his criminal conduct.

(5)The fourth condition is that?

(a)an application by the prosecutor or the Director has been made under section 21 and not concluded, or the court believes that such an application is to be made, and

(b)there is reasonable cause to believe that the court will decide under that section that the amount found under the new calculation of the defendant?s benefit exceeds the relevant amount (as defined in that section).

(6)The fifth condition is that?

(a)an application by the prosecutor or the Director has been made under section 22 and not concluded, or the court believes that such an application is to be made, and

(b)there is reasonable cause to believe that the court will decide under that section that the amount found under the new calculation of the available amount exceeds the relevant amount (as defined in that section).

(7)The second condition is not satisfied if the court believes that?

(a)there has been undue delay in continuing the proceedings, or

(b)the prosecutor does not intend to proceed.

Can you please let me have your views .

Regards

Jarnail.

Regards,


Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

148 Old Street, LONDON, EC1V 9HQ

GRO

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From: Dave Posnett
Sent: 31 January 2014 15:36
To: Jarnail Singh
Cc: Rob King; Andy Hayward; Helen Dickinson
Subject: Restraint Orders

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Note Entry for Case 38660

Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : HB1 Harry Bowyer

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : FILE NOTE

Date : 03/02/2014 00:00

Summary

Advice on evidence begun

Detail

Advice on evidence begun

PREP & PERUSAL 3:36

Total Time 3:36

From: martin smith
Sent: 03 February 2014 09:14
To: Harry Bowyer
Subject: FW: Restraint Orders & Dauncey - 38660

FYI

Martin Smith

GRO

From: Jarnail Singh **GRO**
Sent: 31 January 2014 16:35
To: martin smith
Subject: FW: Restraint Orders

Martin

As discussed POL Accredited Financial Investigator have shown concerns about the present position with regards to Restraints orders as follows;

In view of the Dauncey case and others where we have Restraint Orders in place ... I just want to mention my possible concern. The court will not sanction/authorise a Restraint Order if there are 'undue delays in continuing the proceedings or the prosecutor does not intend to proceed' as per (S40(7)) of POCA ... highlighted below. I have no issue in respect of this, as when we applied for Restraint Orders we didn't know about the delays that were then to materialise. However, I just wonder whether the court would hold a dim view of the fact we applied for Restraint Orders but then assets have been frozen whilst there have been 'undue delays in continuing the proceedings or the prosecutor does not intend to proceed'. I think the stacking of prosecutions is one thing, but wonder whether the continual restraint of assets without much movement on the cases in question are another thing. Your views would be appreciated.

Restraint Orders

40 Conditions for exercise of powers

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(a)proceedings for an offence have been started in England and Wales and not concluded, and

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(7)The second condition is not satisfied if the court believes that—

(a)there has been undue delay in continuing the proceedings, or

(b)the prosecutor does not intend to proceed.

Can you please let me have your views .

Regards

Jarnail.

Regards,

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

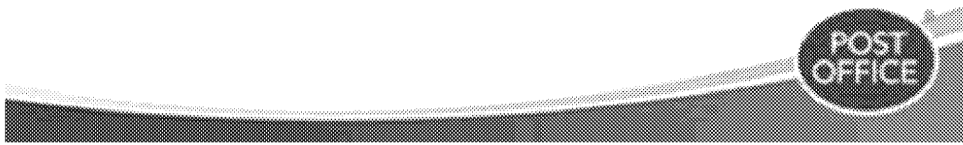
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From: Dave Posnett
Sent: 31 January 2014 15:36
To: Jarnail Singh
Cc: Rob King; Andy Hayward; Helen Dickinson
Subject: Restraint Orders

Jarnail,

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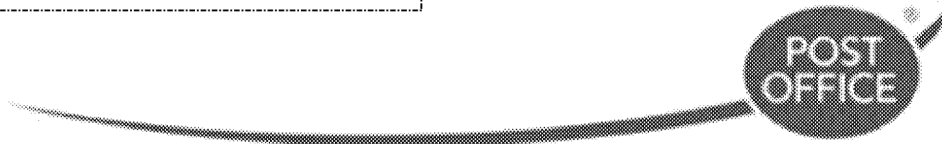
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Regards,

Dave Posnett | Accredited Financial Investigator

Security Team, 2nd Floor Banner Wing, 148 Old St, London, EC1V 9HQ



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From: martin smith
Sent: 03 February 2014 09:15
To: Harry Bowyer
Subject: FW: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

FYI

Martin Smith


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From: Jarnail Singh **GRO**
Sent: 31 January 2014 15:30
To: martin smith
Subject: FW: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030


Martin



You have copy of the attachments from Dave Posnett in the above case. Can you please review the previous advice and draft charges. Then advice how best to progress this case and to respond to Mr Dauncey letter.
Kind regards

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer


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From: Mark R Davies
Sent: 31 January 2014 15:10
To: Jarnail Singh
Cc: Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver; Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams; Chris Aujard
Subject: Re: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Thanks. I am still unclear as to what you want from me, other than that I am grateful this has been flagged to us. My advice to security colleagues would be to respond in line with your first sentence below.

I appreciate the point about drafting the contract to consult the experts but can you give any indication as to a time frame? Could we say to mr Dauncey that will write to him in Feb? Or can we be even clearer and say we do intend to prosecute?

Mark

Sent from my iPhone

On 31 Jan 2014, at 14:30, "Jarnail Singh"  wrote:

Mark

The simply answer to Mr Dauncey is that his case is still under investigation and he would be notified of the result as soon as possible. However given the content of his letter this has the potential to explode into adverse publicity for POL.Hence why it would be prudent for you to get involved in advising the security team as to how they should respond.

There are number of cases which are in the prosecution pipeline. However Mr Daunceys case is one which would be commenced after expert witness has reported. It had been hoped that expert would have been instructed by now but due to various reasons this has not happened.

The delay in this case is not such as to make this case "too stale" to prosecute, especially given the value involved.

Present position is the experts can be instructed just as soon POL external lawyers have drafted the contract to instruct the experts.

regards

Jarnail Singh I Criminal Lawyer

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Sent: 31 January 2014 13:52
To: Sophie Bialaszewski
Cc: Jarnail Singh; Mark R Davies; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver  Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams
Subject: Re: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

All

Yes, I would like to see these letters too please.


I am not clear what you are asking of us here?

I would also like a more detailed note of what is meant by the appointment of an independent expert - I think I know what is meant but would be grateful for elaboration.

How long does it seem likely to appoint this expert? Why does it take so long?

Mark

Sent from my iPad

On 31 Jan 2014, at 13:45, "Sophie Bialaszewski"  wrote:


Do you have copies Jarnail of any letters that have been sent to Mr Daucey? Sophie

Sophie Bialaszewski | Public Affairs Manager
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From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 31 January 2014 13:41
To: Sophie Bialaszewski; Mark R Davies
Cc: Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver  Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams
Subject: RE: Mr P Daucey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

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
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From: Sophie Bialaszewski
Sent: 31 January 2014 13:37
To: Mark R Davies
Cc: Jarnail Singh; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver  Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams
Subject: RE: Mr P Daucey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Hi Mark – now attached. Sophie

Sophie Bialaszewski | Public Affairs Manager
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From: Mark R Davies

Sent: 31 January 2014 13:35

To: Sophie Bialaszewski

Cc: Jarnail Singh; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; Mark R Davies; David Oliver  Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams

Subject: Re: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Please can you forward the attachments? Not showing up for me.

Sent from my iPad

On 31 Jan 2014, at 13:31, "Sophie Bialaszewski" wrote:

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Jarnail,

Ruth is on leave at the moment. I have copied in Nina who is our head of PR and Mark, Comms Director.

Rodric and David Mr Daucey is not a Scheme applicant as far as I can tell. Please can you confirm?

Thanks

Sophie

Sophie Bialaszewski | Public Affairs Manager

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From: Jarnail Singh

Sent: 31 January 2014 13:24

To: Ruth X Barker; Sophie Bialaszewski

Cc: Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams

Subject: FW: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Ruth

Please see attached letter from Mr.Dauncy. In this case Mr Dauncey has made admissions to significant amount of money(£52,757.24). The external Lawyers advise attached they have drafted charges and advice that independent expert is in place before prosecution is commenced. This clearly has the potential to cause POL adverse publicity .Please let me know how you wish to respond. Just to let you know steps are being taken to instruct an expert, however this is taking longer than anticipated. The reason for involving the com .team is of the potential embarrassment to POL because of delay and circumstances of the defendant. Please let me know if you wish to discuss.

Jarnail Singh I Criminal Lawyer

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From: Dave Posnett

Sent: 31 January 2014 08:56

To: Jarnail Singh

Cc: martin smith



Subject: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Jarnail,

Please find associated a letter I received from Mr P Dauncey. He is seeking a decision on whether POL will prosecute or not. Can you respond to Mr Dauncey and copy me in on the response please.

Regards,

Dave Posnett I Accredited Financial Investigator

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Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : HB1 Harry Bowyer

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : FILE NOTE

Date : 04/02/2014 00:00

Summary

Advice on discontinuance

Detail

Advice on discontinuance

PREP & PERUSAL 3:42

Total Time 3:42

Note Entry for Case 38660

Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 04/02/2014 00:00

Summary

TC from JS: Has advice been prepared?

Detail

TC from JS: Has advice been prepared?

MJS said HB in process of finalising it. Will be sent today.

TELEPHONES 1

Total Time 0:00

Note Entry for Case 38660

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User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 04/02/2014 00:00

Summary

TC from JS: Pls send HB advice. DP receiving calls from Mr.

Detail

TC from JS: Pls send HB advice. DP receiving calls from Mr. Dauncey and trying to avoid him. MJS said will send shortly. JS to call once read it.

TELEPHONES 1

Total Time 0:00

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Note Category : NONE

Date : 04/02/2014 00:00

Summary

Print, check and amend HB advice prior to dispatch.

Detail

Print, check and amend HB advice prior to dispatch.

PREP & PERUSAL 0:18

Total Time 0:18

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Note Category : NONE

Date : 04/02/2014 00:00

Summary

TC from JS: Thanks for the advice. Will forward it to DP. Ho

Detail

TC from JS: Thanks for the advice. Will forward it to DP. However can you put together a suggested reply. MJS will put something together and e-mail.

TELEPHONES 1

Total Time 0:00

Note Entry for Case 38660

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User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 04/02/2014 00:00

Summary

Consider and draft POL's response to Mr. Dauncey.

Detail

Consider and draft POL's response to Mr. Dauncey.

PREP & PERUSAL 0:12

Total Time 0:12

Note Entry for Case 38660

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User : HB1 Harry Bowyer

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : FILE NOTE

Date : 04/02/2014 00:00

Summary

Finishing and checking Dauncey advice

Detail

Finishing and checking Dauncey advice

PREP & PERUSAL 1:30

Total Time 1:30

From: Harry Bowyer
Sent: 04 February 2014 09:16
To: martin.smith
Subject: Post Office Ltd - 38660 - Dauncey
Attachments: Advice on Evidence.doc

Harry Bowyer

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From: martin smith
Sent: 04 February 2014 11:38
To: Jarnail A Singh **GRO**
Subject: Post Office Ltd -v- Dauncey
Attachments: AA Advice on Evidence.doc

Jarnail,

Please find attached the advice of Harry Bowyer.

Kind regards,

Martin.

Martin Smith

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From: martin smith
Sent: 04 February 2014 12:18
To: Jarnail A Singh **GRO**
Subject: Post Office Ltd -v- Dauncey

Jarnail,

You may wish to consider the following wording:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter addressed to Dave Posnett of 28th January 2014. We appreciate that, quite understandably, you would like to know the result of the investigation into the shortages at the North Cornelly Post Office as soon as possible. We too are keen to determine the facts leading to that shortage and I note that you have been interviewed under caution on 22nd May 2013 and 10th July 2013.

The shortages at the North Cornelly Post Office amounted to a not insignificant sum, namely £52,757.24, and as such we take a serious view of the position. Accordingly it is essential that our investigation is thorough. Of course this will unfortunately take time to complete. However we will let you know the outcome of the investigation just as soon as we are able to.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss.

Kind regards,

Martin.

Martin Smith

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From: Jarnail Singh **GRO**
Sent: 05 February 2014 10:29
To: martin smith
Subject: FW: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Martin
Chris Aujard with regards to Mr Dauncey is in agreement as follows;

The case has been reviewed by an external barrister who has provided advice that the continuance of the restraining order under the Proceeds of Crime Act is still relevant and valid for a number of reasons outlined in his report. However from a business assessment, whilst the criminal process is valid, the matter has been delayed with no clear timescale when a subject matter expert will be in a position to advise on this particular case, Mr Dauncey has demonstrated that there is significant financial and other influencing factors brought on by this delay and that in the spirit of fairness, the Post Office will withdraw the restraining order. The Post Office at this stage will not discontinue the investigation, however will keep it under constant review to ensure that it is being appropriately progressed.

How ? can to this be manage this going forward including:

- Provide an outline of the process to withdrawal the restraining order including time scales.
- Provide a draft letter(s) that is acceptable to Legal Services, Public Relations and other stakeholders.
- Provide the process that is agreeable to Legal Services, Public Relations and other stakeholders.
- Can we discuss

Many thanks.

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

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User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 06/02/2014 00:00

Summary

TC JS: DP will be able to secure discharge of RO. He will kn

Detail

TC JS: DP will be able to secure discharge of RO. He will know procedures. Not sure of need to write letters for approval by stakeholders??

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Note Entry for Case 38660

Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 10/02/2014 00:00

Summary

TC from JS: Will be sending MJS e-mail on Dauncey. Needs MJS

Detail

TC from JS: Will be sending MJS e-mail on Dauncey. Needs MJS to consider.

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Total Time 0:00

From: Jarnail Singh GRO
Sent: 10 February 2014 09:51
To: martin smith
Subject: FW: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Martin
See below . can we discuss.

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

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From: David Oliver
Sent: 10 February 2014 08:52
To: Jarnail Singh; Chris Aujard; Belinda Crowe; Sophie Bialaszewski; Rodric Williams; Ruth X Barker; Hugh Flemington; John M Scott
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Jarnail,

Thanks for this ? I have played around with the draft below. Grateful for views on the draft below:

2 key points:

1. Can we say that we are doing everything possible to conclude the investigation quickly?
2. Is there any explanation we can offer as to why we have not concluded yet?

Thanks

David

DRAFT STARTS

Thank you for your letter of 28 January seeking an update on Post Office's investigation into the North Cornelly Branch. I appreciate that you want to know the outcome as soon as possible, it is though important for Post Office to ensure that we have fully investigated the substantial shortage at the branch. We are doing everything possible to conclude this investigation quickly, I regret to inform you that we have not yet

concluded it (CAN WE SAY WHY?). I will keep you updated as the investigation progresses and will write again to update you by the end of March.


In your letter you raised concerns about the restraining order that Post Office had placed on your property while we investigated the shortage at the branch. Having considered the circumstances that you have set out I have decided that Post Office will not be continuing with the restraining order. The order was lifted on XXX February and I have enclosed a copy of the relevant papers for your records.

Your Sincerely

DRAFT ENDS

David Oliver
Programme Manager
Initial Complaint and Mediation Scheme

GRO

From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 09 February 2014 16:38
To: Chris Aujard; Belinda Crowe; Sophie Bialaszewski; Rodric Williams; Ruth X Barker; Hugh Flemington; John M Scott; David Oliver 
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Dear All

I have not seen any other versions of the drafts. I enclose draft wording (in blue) below upon which I have added specific wording with regards to the discharge of the restraint order which could be sent once that has happened.

I acknowledge receipt of your letter addressed to Dave Posnett of 28th January 2014. We appreciate that, quite understandably, you would like to know the result of the investigation into the shortages at the North Cornelly Post Office as soon as possible. We too are keen to determine the facts leading to that shortage and I note that you have been interviewed under caution on 22nd May 2013 and 10th July 2013.


The shortages at the North Cornelly Post Office amounted to a not insignificant sum, namely ?52,757.24, and as such we take a serious view of the position. Accordingly it is essential that our investigation is thorough. Of course this will unfortunately take time to complete. However we will let you know the outcome of the investigation just as soon as we are able to. We aim to give you an update in relation to the investigation by 1st April 2014. In the meantime the post office has removed the restraint order against your property.

I would not advise writing to the suspect outlining the process and time of the removal of the order. Ultimately this is a decision for the Judge and it would be counterproductive to suggest that discharge would have taken place at a particular date, if for some reason it had not done so.


Furthermore, it is possible this letter may cause keeness amongst sub postmasters suspected of committing offences to push for the same actions in relation to their cases. It is my understanding that Dave Posnett has sought discharges of restraint orders in many cases. It may be he is aware that in any given case there may be interest by other organisations who may be investigating criminal activity ,who may expect to be notified as a matter of courtesy of the proposed application to discharge the restraint so that those organisations may make their own applications to restrain a sub postmasters property if felt appropriate to do so. In the particular circumstances of the Dauncey case, following the proposed discharge of the restraint order, Mr Dauncey may dissipate assets. Therefore there may be no funds available from the amount confiscated by a court from which POL may seek compensation.

I would advise that POL do not go beyond what is proposed in the draft letter.


Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

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From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 07 February 2014 13:14
To: John M Scott
Cc: Hugh Flemington; Chris Aujard; Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Belinda Crowe; Rodric Williams
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

John
Could you forward versions in existence. I can then look at these as to how they can usefully be amended.

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

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From: John M Scott
Sent: 06 February 2014 13:42
To: Jarnail Singh
Cc: Hugh Flemington; Chris Aujard; Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; John M Scott
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Jarnail.

Thanks for this. Can you also draft a suitable letter that is acceptable to Legal Services and Public Relations that outlines the removal of the restraint order, when this will happen and that Post Office will continue the investigation however will keep it under constant monitoring. I'm aware that there various versions and suggested amendments already in circulation, however a final version with latest factor included would be useful.

Many thanks.

John.

From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 06 February 2014 12:01
To: John M Scott; Chris Aujard
Cc: Rodric Williams; Rob King; Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver; Dave Posnett; Andy Hayward; Mark R Davies; Belinda Crowe; Hugh Flemington
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John and Chris

The procedure to Discharge the Restraint order is straight forward. POL Accredited Financial Investigator need to be instructed to make an application to the crown court where the original order was made ,explaining the delay encountered in this case, defendant is suffering hardship and in these circumstances post office no longer wish to keep the restraint order.

I understand application for discharge can be made by email to the crown court for the order to be signed by the Judge .

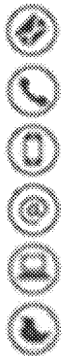
The copy of the signed discharge order together with prescribed form is submitted to the District Land registry by email or post to remove the charge on the property.

This process can be completed within two weeks depending on how quickly the court and district land registry process the application. Dave has made such applications on numerous occasions .

Once the discharge order is obtained and removed from the property all interest parties can be notified. Therefore there is no need for notices or process to be formulated.

I trust this would be of assistance.

Jarnail
 Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer



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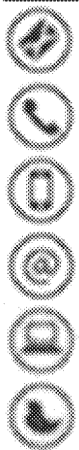
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From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 05 February 2014 13:03
To: John M Scott; Chris Aujard
Cc: Rodric Williams; Rob King; Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver  Dave Posnett; Andy Hayward; Mark R Davies; Belinda Crowe; Hugh Flemington
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Dear All
I would come back to you on this point once I have had opportunity to consider it.
Regards

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer



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From: John M Scott
Sent: 05 February 2014 10:15
To: Chris Aujard; Jarnail Singh
Cc: Rodric Williams; Rob King; Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver ^{GRO}; Dave Posnett; Andy Hayward; Mark R Davies; Belinda Crowe; Hugh Flemington; John M Scott
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Dear All.

I've spoken to Chris Aujard this morning in regards to Mr Dauncey and he is in agreement with our discussion yesterday afternoon.

The case has been reviewed by an external barrister who has provided advice that the continuance of the restraining order under the Proceeds of Crime Act is still relevant and valid for a number of reasons outlined in his report. However from a business assessment, whilst the criminal process is valid, the matter has been delayed with no clear timescale when a subject matter expert will be in a position to advise on this particular case, Mr Dauncey has demonstrated that there is significant financial and other influencing factors brought on by this delay and that in the spirit of fairness, the Post Office will withdraw the restraining order. The Post Office at this stage will not discontinue the investigation, however will keep it under constant review to ensure that it is being appropriately progressed.

Jarnail ? can you please manage this going forward including:

- Provide an outline of the process to withdrawal the restraining order including time scales.
- Provide a draft letter(s) that is acceptable to Legal Services, Public Relations and other stakeholders.
- Provide the process that is agreeable to Legal Services, Public Relations and other stakeholders.

Many thanks.

John.

From: Chris Aujard
Sent: 04 February 2014 22:58
To: John M Scott
Subject: Fwd: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Sorry John - I meant to send this to you as well. Cheers Chris

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Chris Aujard <[redacted] GRO>
Date: 4 February 2014 10:15:49 pm GMT
To: Belinda Crowe <[redacted] GRO>, Rodric Williams <[redacted] GRO>, David Oliver <[redacted] GRO>
Cc: Chris Aujard <[redacted] GRO>
Subject: FW: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Hi all ? was this case discussed after I left the room today? I am still not entirely satisfied that we are approaching this the right way, given the time periods involved. Possibly we could pick this up in the morning. Cheers Chris

From: Rodric Williams
Sent: 04 February 2014 17:41
To: Rob King; Jarnail Singh; John M Scott
Cc: Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver [redacted] Dave Posnett; Andy Hayward; Mark R Davies; Chris Aujard
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

All ? so that the letter is not left completely open-ended, can we concluded the letter as follows (my amend in ***bold***):

*However we will let you know the outcome of the investigation just as soon as we are able to, ***and will write to you again in this regard on [date in 4 weeks? time] if not before.****

Thanks, Rod

Rodric Williams I Litigation Lawyer

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From: Rob King
Sent: 04 February 2014 12:54
To: Jarnail Singh; John M Scott
Cc: Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver [redacted] Dave Posnett; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Chris Aujard; Rodric Williams; Mark R Davies
Subject: Re: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Seems ok to me Jarnail
Regards
Rob

From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2014 12:50 PM
To: John M Scott; Rob King
Cc: Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver [redacted] Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Chris Aujard; Rodric Williams; Mark R Davies
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John and Rob

I attached advice in the case of Mr.Dauncey by Counsel Harry Bowyer of Cartwright King in light of which You may wish to consider the following wording in a letter to Mr Dauncey by head of security :

I acknowledge receipt of your letter addressed to Dave Posnett of 28th January 2014. We appreciate that, quite understandably, you would like to know the result of the investigation into the shortages at the North Cornelly Post Office as soon as possible. We too are keen to determine the facts leading to that shortage and I note that you have been interviewed under caution on 22nd May 2013 and 10th July 2013.

The shortages at the North Cornelly Post Office amounted to a not insignificant sum, namely ?52,757.24, and as such we take a serious view of the position. Accordingly it is essential that our investigation is thorough. Of course this will unfortunately take time to complete. However we will let you know the outcome of the investigation just as soon as we are able to.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss.

Kind regards,

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer
148 Old Street, LONDON, EC1V 9HQ

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From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 31 January 2014 17:08
To: Rodric Williams; Mark R Davies
Cc: Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver; Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Chris Aujard
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Thanks Rodric. CK have been asked earlier to review the advice and draft a response for security to send to Mr Dauncey.


Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer
148 Old Street, LONDON, EC1V 9HQ

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From: Rodric Williams
Sent: 31 January 2014 16:52
To: Jarnail Singh; Mark R Davies

Cc: Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver  Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Chris Aujard
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Thanks Jarnail.

Can I suggest Cartwright King draft a letter to Mr Dauncey on POL Security letterhead explaining (so far as we can) where we are in the investigation process, what happens next and when we will next be in contact. The draft can then go to the Comms team to check the tone and positioning (e.g. so that it doesn't look too cold and lawyerly!).

Does that work?

Kind regards, Rodric

Rodric Williams | Litigation Lawyer

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From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 31 January 2014 15:25
To: Mark R Davies
Cc: Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver  Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams; Chris Aujard
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Mark

In view of the delicacy of the situation I am referring this case to our external Lawyers Cartwright King for advice..


Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

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From: Mark R Davies
Sent: 31 January 2014 15:10
To: Jarnail Singh
Cc: Sophie Bialaszewski; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver  Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams; Chris Aujard
Subject: Re: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Thanks. I am still unclear as to what you want from me, other than that I am grateful this has been flagged to us. My advice to security colleagues would be to respond in line with your first sentence below.

I appreciate the point about drafting the contract to consult the experts but can you give any indication as to a time frame? Could we say to mr Dauncey that will write to him in Feb? Or can we be even clearer and say we do intend to prosecute?

Mark

Sent from my iPhone

On 31 Jan 2014, at 14:30, "Jarnail Singh" <

Mark

The simply answer to Mr Dauncey is that his case is still under investigation and he would be notified of the result as soon as possible. However given the content of his letter this has the potential to explode into adverse publicity for POL.Hence why it would be prudent for you to get involved in advising the security team as to how they should respond.

There are number of cases which are in the prosecution pipeline. However Mr Daunceys case is one which would be commenced after expert witness has reported. It had been hoped that expert would have been instructed by now but due to various reasons this has not happened. The delay in this case is not such as to make this case ?too stale? to prosecute, especially given the value involved.

Present position is the experts can be instructed just as soon POL external lawyers have drafted the contract to instruct the experts.

regards

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

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Sent: 31 January 2014 13:52

To: Sophie Bialaszewski

Cc: Jarnail Singh; Mark R Davies; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Olive;  Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams

Subject: Re: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

All

Yes, I would like to see these letters too please.

I am not clear what you are asking of us here?

I would also like a more detailed note of what is meant by the appointment of an independent expert - I think I know what is meant but would be grateful for elaboration.

How long does it seem likely to appoint this expert? Why does it take so long?

Mark

Sent from my iPad

On 31 Jan 2014, at 13:45, "Sophie Bialaszewski"
wrote:



Do you have copies of any letters that have been sent to Mr Dauncey? Sophie

Sophie Bialaszewski | Public Affairs Manager

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Sent: 31 January 2014 13:41
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Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

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From: Sophie Bialaszewski
Sent: 31 January 2014 13:37
To: Mark R Davies
Cc: Jarnail Singh; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; David Oliver  Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams
Subject: RE: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Hi Mark ? now attached. Sophie

Sophie Bialaszewski | Public Affairs Manager
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From: Mark R Davies
Sent: 31 January 2014 13:35
To: Sophie Bialaszewski
Cc: Jarnail Singh; Ruth X Barker; Nina Arnott; Mark R Davies; David Oliver; Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams
Subject: Re: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Please can you forward the attachments? Not showing up for me.

Sent from my iPad

On 31 Jan 2014, at 13:31, "Sophie Bialaszewski" wrote:



Jarnail,

Ruth is on leave at the moment. I have copied in Nina who is our head of PR and Mark, Comms Director.

Rodric and David Mr Daucey is not a Scheme applicant as far as I can tell. Please can you confirm?

Thanks

Sophie

Sophie Bialaszewski | Public Affairs Manager
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From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 31 January 2014 13:24

To: Ruth X Barker; Sophie Bialaszewski
Cc: Dave Posnett; Rob King; Andy Hayward; Hugh Flemington; Rodric Williams
Subject: FW: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Ruth

Please see attached letter from Mr.Dauncy. In this case Mr Dauncey has made admissions to significant amount of money(?52,757.24). The external Lawyers advise attached they have drafted charges and advice that independent expert is in place before prosecution is commenced. This clearly has the potential to cause POL adverse publicity .Please let me know how you wish to respond. Just to let you know steps are being taken to instruct an expert, however this is taking longer than anticipated.

The reason for involving the com .team is of the potential embarrassment to POL because of delay and circumstances of the defendant.

Please let me know if you wish to discuss.

Jarnail Singh I Criminal Lawyer

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From: Dave Posnett

Sent: 31 January 2014 08:56

To: Jarnail Singh

Cc: martin smith



GRO Rob King; Andy Hayward; Sharron L Jennings

Subject: Mr P Dauncey - North Cornelly - POLTD/1314/0030

Jarnail,

Please find associated a letter I received from Mr P Dauncey. He is seeking a decision on whether POL will prosecute or not. Can you respond to Mr Dauncey and copy me in on the response please.

Regards,

Dave Posnett I Accredited Financial Investigator

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Account Ref : P00830-112-0

User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 11/02/2014 00:00

Summary

TC JS: Have received e-mail. It is for the court to remove t

Detail

TC JS: Have received e-mail. It is for the court to remove the RO not POL. Suggest that POL writes again to inform of result of application rather than when it is lifted.

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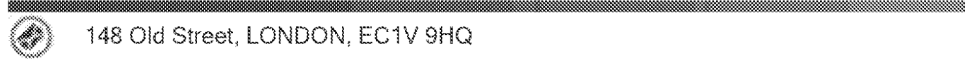
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From: Jarnail Singh
Sent: 11 February 2014 12:27
To: martin smith
Subject: FW: North Cornelly draft



Martin
See below. Can we have quick word please.

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer



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From: David Oliver
Sent: 11 February 2014 12:16
To: Jarnail Singh
Cc: Rodric Williams; Hugh Flemington; Sophie Bialaszewski; Belinda Crowe
Subject: North Cornelly draft

All,

I have discussed with Rod and amended the draft below with him. **Jarnail** any issues with this from a criminal law perspective or can this now go?

Thanks

David

DRAFT STARTS

Thank you for your letter of 28 January seeking an update on Post Office's investigation into the North Cornelly Branch. I appreciate that you want to know the outcome as soon as possible, it is however important for Post Office to ensure that we fully understand the substantial shortage at the branch. Although we are progressing matters, we have not yet concluded our investigation. I will keep you updated and will write again to update you by the end of March.

In your letter you raised concerns about the restraining order that Post Office had placed on your property while we investigate the shortage at the branch. Having considered the circumstances that you have set out

Post Office has decided to remove the restraining order. [We are therefore making the necessary application to the court and will inform you when the order is lifted.

Your Sincerely

DRAFT ENDS

David Oliver
Programme Manager
Initial Complaint and Mediation Scheme

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User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 18/02/2014 00:00

Summary

Read e-mail from JS and note the position.

Detail

Read e-mail from JS and note the position.

PREP & PERUSAL 0:06

Total Time 0:06



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From: martin smith
Sent: 18 February 2014 10:38
To: Chris Powell
Subject: Post Office Ltd - 38660 - Dauncey
Attachments: FW: North Cornelly

Chris,

Could you note the position on the spreadsheet please.

Thanks,

M

Martin Smith

GRO

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User : MS2 Martin J Smith

Client Name : Post Office Ltd

Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

Note Category : NONE

Date : 20/03/2014 00:00

Summary

TC from Dave Posnett. Will be sending e-mail re Dauncey. Had

Detail

TC from Dave Posnett. Will be sending e-mail re Dauncey. Had said would write by end of March. Need to consider response.

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Note Category : NONE

Date : 21/03/2014 00:00

Summary

Consideration of position prior to responding to Dave Posnet

Detail

Consideration of position prior to responding to Dave Posnett's e-mail.

PREP & PERUSAL 0:18

Total Time 0:18

From: Martin Smith
Sent: 21 March 2014 09:27
To: 'Dave Posnett'; Rodric Williams; John M Scott; Hugh Flemington; Jarnail Singh; Sophie Bialaszewski; Belinda Crowe
Subject: RE: North Cornelly

Dave,

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Kind regards,

Martin.

Martin Smith

GRO

From: Dave Posnett **GRO**
Sent: 20 March 2014 09:47
To: Rodric Williams; John M Scott; Hugh Flemington; Jarnail Singh; Sophie Bialaszewski; Belinda Crowe; Martin Smith
Subject: North Cornelly

All,
You may recall Mr Dauncey sent a letter regarding his concerns about the investigation into the loss at North Cornelly Post Office (item 1 associated).
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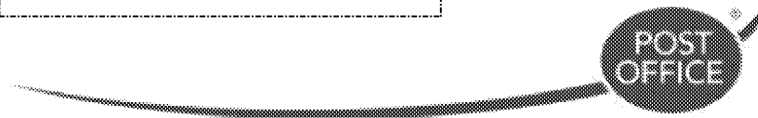
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What is the current status of this case please ... awaiting SME? ... in the stack? ... considering NFA? ... other?

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Regards,

Dave Posnett | Accredited Financial Investigator

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From: Dave Posnett **GRO**
Sent: 24 March 2014 09:22
To: Martin Smith; Rodric Williams; John M Scott; Hugh Flemington; Jarnail Singh; Sophie Bialaszewski; Belinda Crowe
Subject: RE: North Cornelly

Thanks Martin.

All,
It would seem we are in the same place as when the first letter was sent to Mr Dauncey on 12th February, albeit there is some movement in terms of appointing an SME. As per my email of 20th March (below) could I please have a steer on what the content of the next letter to Mr Dauncey should be. In order to back up our statement that we would write to him again by the end of March, the letter needs to be drafted, agreed and despatched this week.

Regards,

Dave Posnett I Accredited Financial Investigator

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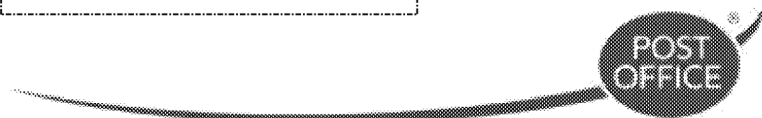
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Sent: 24 March 2014 15:25
To: 'Belinda Crowe'; Dave Posnett; Rodric Williams; John M Scott; Jarnail Singh; Sophie Bialaszewski
Cc: David Oliver [gro]
Subject: RE: North Cornelly
AA Charging Review - Dauncey.doc

David,

This case has been reviewed against the draft Prosecution Policy prepared by Simon Clarke and with reference to an indicative figure of £20,000.00. I have attached a copy of the Charging Review.

Could you let me have a copy of the new prosecution policy please?

Kind regards.

Martin.

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From: David Oliver [gro] **GRO** **On Behalf Of** Belinda Crowe
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Subject: North Cornelly
Attachments: 1 - Letter From Mr Dauncey 28-01-2014.pdf; 2 - Letter To Mr Dauncey 12-02-2014.pdf; 3 - Letter To Mr Dauncey 19-02-2014.pdf; 4 - Land Registry [GRO] pdf; 5 - Letter To Mr Dauncey 28-03-14.pdf

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From: Jarnail Singh 
Sent: 19 May 2014 11:02
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Cc: Rodric Williams; John M Scott; Sophie Bialaszewski; Belinda Crowe; Martin Smith; David Oliver  Jessica Madron
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Sent: 20 May 2014 09:54
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FYI only.

Jarnail Singh | Criminal Lawyer

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From: Rob King
Sent: 20 May 2014 07:17
To: Jarnail Singh
Subject: FW: North Cornelly

Jarnail,
Can you advise please
Thanks
Rob

Rob King | Senior Security Manager Operations

Security Team, 5th Floor Central Wing, 148 Old St, London, EC1V 9HQ

GRO



From: Dave Posnett
Sent: 19 May 2014 19:12
To: Rob King; Andy Hayward
Subject: FW: North Cornelly

Rob/Andy,

Can we get rid of this. Will JS need to sanction. We've pulled the plug on higher amounts than this and I can see all 'awaiting SME' cases being pulled in due course anyway.


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Dave Posnett I Accredited Financial Investigator

Security Team, 5th Floor Bunhill Row Wing, 148 Old St, London, EC1V 9HQ

GRO



From: Belinda Crowe
Sent: 19 May 2014 11:38
To: Jarnail Singh; Dave Posnett
Cc: Rodric Williams; John M Scott; Sophie Bialaszewski; David Oliver  Jessica Madron; Belinda Crowe
Subject: RE: North Cornelly

I am not the expert here but we audited this case over a year ago now and my recollection is that we are awaiting an expert witness to proceed. I do not know where we are in that process but it seems to me that in relation to this case, and a number of others, we are still awaiting that.


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I think Chris should be advised on where we are with the appointment of the expert witness and the implications for this case and the other cases that are not proceeding at present because of that.

Best wishes
Belinda

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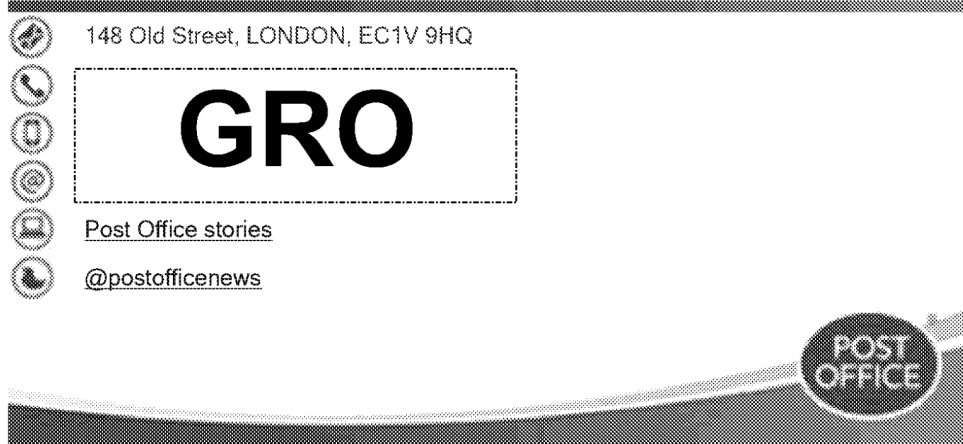
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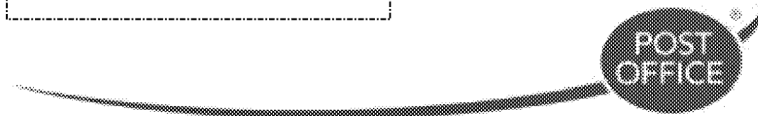
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Matter Desc : Prosecution of Philip Dauncey

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Date : 27/05/2014 00:00

Summary

Lengthy TX with JS re position in Dauncey and SC's advice.

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ATTEND CLIENT 0:18

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From: Katarzyna Rajczyk
Sent: 08 August 2014 11:10
To: Jarnail A Singh GRO
Subject: POL v P Dauncy 1314/0030
Attachments: PolvPhilipDauncy.pdf; Post Office - P00830.112.0 - 49003 - 8.8.14.pdf

Dear Jarnail

Please see enclosed our invoice in relation to the above case.

Regards

Kat

Katarzyna Rajczyk

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From: Lauren Mcdonald
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Subject: Post Office Ltd - 38660

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Another one that wont close.

Lauren McDonald

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