

IN THE GUILDFORD CROWN COURT

T20090070

Regina

-v-

SEEMA MISRA

APPLICATION BY THE DEFENCE PURSUANT TO s8 OF
THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE AND INVESTIGATIONS ACT 1996
FOR DISCLOSURE OF RELEVANT MATERIAL

1. The Defendant believes that the prosecution are in possession of material that could substantially assist her trial on the count of theft and which would undermine the prosecution case against her.
2. On 28th May 2009 the Defendant attended the Crown Court for her trial. She produced an article from Computer Weekly, a copy of which is attached hereto marked "SM1". This article raised the issue of technical difficulties within the Horizon system. Her trial was adjourned.
3. On 14th July 2009 the Court requested that an expert's report be served by the defence by 30th September 2009.
4. On 18th September 2009 a further article outlining difficulties with the Horizon system appeared in Convenience Store. A copy is attached hereto marked "SM2".
5. On 21st September 2009 the Defence expert, Professor Charles McLachlan, produced his interim report outlining two hypotheses which may explain the problems experienced and the work required to investigate them. A copy of that report is attached hereto marked "SM3".
6. On 28th September 2009 a further article appeared in Computer Weekly referring to the continued difficulties being experienced by sub-postmasters and the possibility of a House of Commons debate. A copy of this article is attached hereto marked "SM4".

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