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Dear Mr/Ms S Smith

Re: Freedom of Information Request - Internal Review

Thank you for your recent request for *an internal review of the handling of my FOI request 'Conflict of Interest'*.

Valerie Howarth, Chair of the Cafcass Board, has now carried out the internal review and the conclusions of the review are set out below:

Internal Review – S Smith Freedom of Information Request

There is no specific procedure within Cafcass preventing a worker from taking on a piece of work in a Local Authority where they worked previously. Cafcass cannot provide information that it does not hold.

If the requestee has a specific issue it would be helpful for Cafcass to know as it will enable us to look at this again in relation to current best practice, which involves a manager reviewing any issue on a case-by-case basis. Further information from the requestee to inform our thinking would be welcome.

VALERIE HOWARTH 11th March 2009

If you have any queries about this review please contact me at the Cafcass National Office address. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of your review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision (www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk).

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