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Dear Mr McMullan

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request – 180829011

Thank you for your request received 29 August 2018 in which you asked for the following information from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ):

Email one

Dear Her Majesty's Courts and the Tribunals Service, I make this request in order to confirm whether a hearing was held at Liverpool Crown court between the 10th June 2016 and the 16th June 2016 either in camera or not in open court this hearing may or may not have affected the sentencing of certain defendants in the Case of Mr David McMullan and others. which took place sometime later.

if such hearing did take place it would have been before one of the senior judges at this court I believe the sentencing judge in the substantive case of David McMullan and others was HHJ Conrad therefore he may have been the judge in the closed hearing

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Your request is being handled under the FOIA.

The MoJ is required to provide you with a response within 20 working days. I will send you a response to your request by 26 September 2018

Yours sincerely

Knowledge Information Liaison Officer North West Regional Support Unit