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Dear Ms Williams

RE: Your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request - 190917002

Thank you for your request received on the 17th September 2019 in which you have asked for the following information from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ):

- 1. "Please can you provide the name of the Bankruptcy Clerk in the county court at Maidstone (DX 130065, Maidstone 7) and
- confirm their location code.
 Maidstone Combined Court Centre
 Maidstone County Court location code 434
 Maidstone Crown Court location code 261"

Your request has been handled under the FOIA. I have responded to your questions below in chronological order for ease of reference:

Question 1

The MoJ does not hold any information within the scope of your request. Maidstone County Court have confirmed that they do not have specific Bankruptcy Clerks in either their Civil or Family Courts. This is because staff rotate daily in terms of work they carry out.

The FOIA does not oblige a public authority to create information to answer a request if the requested information is not held. The duty is to only provide the recorded information held.

Question 2

I can confirm that the MoJ holds the information that you have requested and I have provided it as detailed below:

- Maidstone Combined Court Centre location code is 0434
- Maidstone County Court location code is 261
- Maidstone Crown Court location code is 434

Appeal Rights

If you are not satisfied with this response you have the right to request an internal review by responding in writing to one of the addresses below within two months of the date of this response.

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Disclosure Team, Ministry of Justice, 10.38, 102 Petty France, London, SW1H 9AJ

You do have the right to ask the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) to investigate any aspect of your complaint. However, please note that the ICO is likely to expect internal complaints procedures to have been exhausted before beginning their investigation.

Yours sincerely

Knowledge Information Liaison Officer South East Regional Support Unit