

Witness Name: Lee Terence Stay

Statement No: WITN1541013

Exhibits: 0

Dated: February 2020

INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

SECOND WRITTEN STATEMENT OF LEE TERENCE STAY

I, Lee Terence Stay will say as follows:-

Section 1. Introduction

1. My name is Lee Terence Stay. My date of birth is GRO-C 1968 and I live at GRO-C, GRO-C
2. This is my Second Statement. It should be read in conjunction with my First Statement given to the Inquiry (Witness Number WITN1541001) on 11th September 2019.

Section 2. How infected

3. I have severe Haemophilia A. I am co-infected with the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and the Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) from contaminated blood products.

Section 3. Other Infections

4. I refer to my First Statement.

Section 4. Consent

5. I refer to my First Statement.

Section 5. Impact of the Infection

6. I refer to my First Statement.

Section 6. Treatment/care/support

7. I refer to my First Statement.

Section 7. Financial Assistance

8. I refer to paragraph 102 of my First Statement and wish to elaborate on my own personal experience of the difficulties my friend, Su Gorman, has had with the trusts.
9. Su has given two Witness Statements to the Inquiry (Witness Numbers WITN2753001 and WITN2753003). I refer specifically to Su's Second Statement in which she provides details of the problems she encountered in dealing with EIBSS in the aftermath of Steve's death.
10. I was aware of the inconsistent and often insensitive and unhelpful advice Su had been given since first making contact with EIBSS at the beginning of January 2019. I was with Su at the office of her MP on 1st February 2019 when the issue was raised and discussed in detail at his surgery.
11. After the meeting Su and I had just got back into my car when she took a phone call from James Hardy from EIBSS. Mr Hardy had called to tell Su that

he had not yet received her application and the resulting discussion between them lasted around 15 to 20 minutes.

12. During the conversation Mr Hardy told Su that it would be easier or more straight-forward if she refrained from talking to MPs, ministers and the press. Whilst I could only hear Su's side of the conversation properly, I understood the gist of what was being said because Su repeated a lot of what Mr Hardy was saying out loud. When he told her not to speak to MPs, ministers and the press, she looked shocked and a little annoyed but the conversation ran its course. Su explained to me what had been said to her in full after the phone call had finished. She did not appreciate him approaching her in that manner and what he had said to her.

Section 8. Other Issues

13. There are no other issues.

Anonymity, disclosure and redaction

14. I confirm that I do not wish to apply for anonymity and that I understand this statement will be published and disclosed as part of the Inquiry.

15. I do wish to be called to give oral evidence.

Statement of Truth

I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true.

Signed.....

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Dated.....10-02-2020.....