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RE: Todd Oakley [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

From: **John Devereux** (ja_devereux[REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, 4 June 2014 4:59:02 PM
To: Hatch, Jacqueline SQNLDR (jacqueline.hatch[REDACTED])
Cc: 'Paul Gregory' (paulgregory[REDACTED])

Dear Jac,

Many thanks for providing this advice.

Most helpful.

I need to exercise some caution here.

As the OC of the Wing, I need to stay independent and avoid providing legal advice to either party.

I have thus chosen, when I receive a query from the member or from another, to refer that matter to external advice through Branch.

I realise this may be vexing, and I apologise for any inconvenience.

I need to seek further input on one matter below.

While I acknowledge the importance of keeping the suspension under regular review (as indicated in my HIB to the CDR-AAFC), I am not sure I should be the conduit to the member of progress of the QPS deliberations and determinations.

I am concerned about my own potential liability (and that of the organisation) in terms of perverting the course of justice.

If the QPS wish to inform the complainant and respondent of progress, that is a matter for them.

Absent a grant of power (or instruction) from them to do so, I would be most wary of accepting that responsibility, for fear of advising either side (in advance) of matters - thus potentially permitting the parties to alter or prepare evidence.

Can you please check with the DG/CDR as to their instructions?

All the best
JD

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From: **Paul Gregory** (paulgregory [REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, 4 June 2014 7:03:35 PM
To: 'John Devereux' (ja_devereux [REDACTED]); 'Hatch, Jacqueline SQNLDR' (jacqueline.hatch [REDACTED])

Hi John

I had not seen this email when sending my previous.

I suggest that the only message that you need relay to Oakley is that the matter remains under management of QPS or alternatively as advised by QPS.

You are quite right to be wary of becoming the conduit or of making any comment on progress or otherwise. I think that the same applies to the CDR in respect of this matter.

Regards

Paul

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