

Chronology of Care

Katrina / Linda Robertson

This chronology is confined to the supplied records. The 1980 EDIR entry is partly obscured and should be checked against the original register before it is relied upon as definitive evidence of the institution, reason for admission or disposal destination.

Date / period	Care setting	Incident or concern	Responsible person / body	Record / page	Consequence or response
22 Feb 1966	Elsie Inglis Maternity Hospital, Edinburgh	Birth of Linda Ann Robertson (later known/adopted as Katrina Robertson).	Hospital / Church of Scotland records	Adoption papers pp. 17-19, 27-29, 38, 48	Identity and starting point.
22 Feb-5 Apr 1966	Hospital care	Records state the child remained in hospital after birth because of jaundice and medical observation.	Hospital clinicians	Adoption papers pp. 17-19, 27-29	Medical care before foster placement; no abuse link recorded.
5 Apr 1966	Churchbank, Elm Row, Galashiels	Discharged from hospital and placed with Frank and Jean Robertson for foster care pending adoption.	Church of Scotland Adoption Society / Edinburgh Children's Department	Adoption papers pp. 13, 17, 34, 38	Strong direct proof of placement and responsible bodies.
1966-1972	Churchbank foster home	Continuous foster residence; periodic medical follow-up and social-work review.	Foster parents; Church of Scotland; local social work	Adoption papers pp. 11-14, 17-19, 22, 25-29, 38, 42-47	Corroborates duration, address and continuity.
8-22 Aug 1972	Adoption planning	Correspondence seeks consent and prepares adoption application; child described as having lived with foster parents for about six years.	M. F. Sandiford, social worker	Adoption papers pp. 6-12, 22-24	Legal and administrative progression.
22 Nov 1972	Churchbank / Sheriff Court process	Curator ad litem visits petitioners and child; report confirms placement and recommends adoption.	Curator ad litem	Adoption papers pp. 33-36	Independent court-related confirmation of residence and welfare.
19-22 Feb 1973	Sheriff Court adoption proceedings	Supplementary report and social-work correspondence support adoption petition.	Solicitors / social work	Adoption papers pp. 13-14, 37	Continued legal process.
27 Mar 1973	Sheriff Court, Selkirk	Adoption order granted.	Sheriff Court / Sheriff Clerk	Adoption papers pp. 31-32, 48	Legal end-point of foster placement and adopted identity.
3 Aug 1980	Unclear institution / Borders register	Register appears to show admission of Katrina Robertson, age 14, under Borders authority. Address appears to be 16 Dingleton Cottages, Melrose.	Borders authority	EDIR 61657 - 1, p.1	Potential later care/assessment placement; wording partly obscured.
24 Aug 1980	Selkirk (disposal destination partly legible)	Register appears to record disposal/discharge after about 21 days.	Borders authority	EDIR 61657 - 2, p.1	Possible discharge/transfer. Verify institution and destination from original register.

Abuse chronology

No incident of physical, sexual or emotional abuse, neglect, contemporaneous disclosure, complaint or institutional failure to act was identified in the supplied papers. The chronology therefore records placement and legal history rather than alleged abuse incidents.