

Re: NRS-DP-2026-858 - MMA Legal - Acknowledgement and request for clarification - 02 June 2026 - 100338

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Good afternoon,

Thank you for your previous email. We note its contents.

In relation to your clarification request, we can confirm the following information:

Parents: Margaret Dowell (Mcallister); John Dowell.

If you require any further information, don't hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Kind regards,

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Your ref: 100338
NRS ref: NRS-DP-2026-858
SG ref: SAR26-27 - 528-Access – Redress

Dear Sirs,

Thank you for the subject access request of 28 May 2026 you made on behalf of your client a behalf of your client to SG Information Assurance and Data Protection Branch (IADP) Branch. SG IADP forwarded your request to us on 2 June as we may hold in our custody other records which may be relevant to your enquiry including open government files, other prison and borstal records, and court records.

National Records of Scotland (NRS) holds records on behalf of SG. These records include exempt/closed government files relating to approved and List D schools, children's homes, and prison and borstal services. SG remain the data controller for these records and makes all decisions on access. They will provide you with a separate response.

Clarification request

Most of the records NRS holds are not indexed by the names of individuals. Therefore, we need the information requested below to allow us to carry out effective searches of possible court records. If you do not provide these details, we may not be able to find the information you are seeking.

- Your client's address immediately before being placed in care. If this is not known the name of the town, city and/or local authority will be sufficient.
- The names of your client's parents.

We will send one reminder following our request for clarification, and after a period of 30 days, a final email to inform you we will be closing the SAR.

If we receive the requested information before the closure date, we will process your request under the same reference number. However, if you send us the requested information following the closure date, we will process your SAR as usual but with a new reference number.

These requests are complex in nature, and we endeavour to respond promptly and, in any case, within three months of receipt. We apologise for the delay and any problems this causes.

You may find it helpful to read our guidance on 'Time in care records' which provides information on records NRS holds.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact us by quoting your case number: NRS-DP-2026-858.

Kind regards,

Maggie

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