

## **UROLOGY SERVICES INQUIRY**

USI Ref: Section 21 Notice No.38 of 2022

Date of Notice: 29th April 2022

Addendum Witness Statement of: Mr John Wilkinson

I, John Wilkinson, will say as follows:-

- 1. I wish to make the following amendments to my existing response, dated 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022, to Section 21 Notice number 38 of 2022.
- 2. At **WIT-26092** para 2 I state that "On 19<sup>th</sup> January I was appointed as the Designated Non-Executive Director…" I note from **WIT-41952 WDB 49** that it appears that Roberta Brownlee approached me on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 and this should state "On 49<sup>th</sup> January 2017 I was appointed as the Designated Non-Executive Director…".
- 3. At WIT-26093 para 7 I state that "on 2 February 2017 I telephoned AOB and arranged a date to meet." Having considered the document TRU-261883 I note that on 1 February 2017 Mr O'Brien emailed me asking for the opportunity to meet. This should state "AOB emailed me on 1 February 2017 requesting an opportunity to meet. On 2 February 2017 I telephoned AOB and arranged a date to meet."
- 4 At WIT-26093 para 9 I state that "...AOB speculated that if he was to be found wanting in his practice then he would bring a degree of embarrassment to the SHSCT." This should state "AOB speculated that if he was to be found wanting in his practice then he would bring a degree of embarrassment to the SHSCT. I have been provided with AOB-56102, which is Mr O'Brien's transcript of the covert recording which he made of his meeting with me on 7 February 2017 without my consent. This transcript indicates that I stated "I think what you are saying is that, irrespective of the outcome of this, there could be reputational damage which you. would be concerned about is that what you are saying?" Mr O'Brien responded by stating that "Reputational damage or there could be a disciplinary outcome. The Trust have had the privilege of initiating and carrying out an investigation into me...I don't have the privilege of initiating an investigation into their failures, which in my view are stark and in terms of patient outcomes have consequences that are a multiple of anything that could emanate from mine."



- 5. At **WIT-26096 para 20** I state that "on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017 I telephoned and texted AOB seeking a meeting to discuss progress and any other concerns that he might have had. I received no response." This should state "On 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017 I telephoned and texted AOB seeking a meeting to discuss progress and any other concerns that he might have had. I received no response. AOB contacted me on 6 March 2017"
- 6. At WIT-26104 para 55 I provided a list of Trust Board meetings at which AOB was discussed. I state "On 24th September 2020, 14th October 2020, 15th October 2020, 23rd October 2020 and 10th December 2020 the Trust Board was informed of the progress of the AOB issues at Trust Board meetings and via Early Alerts." This should state "On 24th September 2020, 14th October 2020, 15th October 2020, 23rd-22nd October 2020, 12 November 2020 and 10th December 2020 the Trust Board was informed of the progress of the AOB issues at Trust Board meetings and via Early Alerts".

## **Statement of Truth**

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

Date: 28.03.2023