

LEGAL AID BOARD
Authority to do Contract Work

Contract reference: MPA 94/2

Serial Number: 5

Description of MPA: Measles Mumps and Rubella

Name and address of contract firm:

Dawbarns Solicitors Bank House King's Staithe Square King's Lynn Norfolk PE30 1RD
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Solicitors reference: REB/AP1

Generic A/C No: T888G

Authority to do contract work issued on the 26th September 1994 amended as follows:-

This letter: a) authorises or amends the scope of the work which you may do jointly with Messrs. Freeth Cartwright Hunt Dickins under the above numbered contract, including any limitations or conditions:



(See paragraph 1 below)

b) authorises you to incur costs further to Regulation 61 of the Civil Legal Aid (General) Regulations 1989.



Tick as appropriate

(See paragraph 2 below)

1. To obtain a preliminary report from Dr. Andrew Wakefield pursuant to the Opinion of Counsel Mr. Augustus Ullstein dated 22nd April 1996.
2. To facilitate the setting up of the clinical and scientific study proposed by Dr. A.J. Wakefield in respect of 10 assisted persons at a maximum cost of £55,000 and to cover the work necessary by the solicitors in so doing at a maximum cost of £10,000.
3. The continued correspondence with and interviewing of potential medical experts at a maximum cost of £20,000.
4. The continued maintenance of the computer database and ongoing worldwide literature searches at a maximum cost of £15,000.
5. Continued general administration covering the continued provision of reports to the Legal Aid Board and claimants and their solicitors as required by the Legal Aid Board Multi-Party Action Arrangements 1992 (as amended) to include correspondence and communication with the Legal Aid Board and as between the contracting firms and claimant's firms.

To cover the continued correspondence with lawyers in this and other jurisdictions as necessary.

At a maximum cost of £25,000.

6. Liaison with Leading Counsel as necessary. The obtaining of a further written Opinion of Leading Counsel without the prior authority of the Legal Aid Area Office is not included.

At a maximum cost of £5,000.

2. Total generic costs under the Contract are not to exceed £160,000 without authority of the Liaison Officer. It is a condition that the solicitor shall report to the Area Office if profit costs, disbursements and Counsel's fees exceed £160,000. If an extension is not obtained subsequent profit costs may be deferred.

Authorised signatory Legal Aid Area No. 8

Joanne Coire

Date: 22.8.96