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Dear Sir or Madam,

Ref: FOI 2435

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information relating to services provided to our Trust by Capsticks LLP.

The Trust can provide the following information:

- a) The trust's total spends on services by Capsticks LLP (whether these relate to legal services, investigations, training, sub-contracting consultants or investigators or any other services).
- b) What proportion of this total amount has been spent in cases where staff members had previously made public interest disclosures, and how many such cases were handled by Capsticks LLP.
- d) How many of these cases involving Capsticks LLP in which staff members had previously made public interest disclosures ended in dismissal of the staff concerned.
- e) How many such staff was dismissed not for misconduct or incapability issues, but via "Some other Substantial Reason"
- f) How many trust compromise agreements have Capsticks LLP handled in the last 5 years.

The Trust only uses Capsticks LLP from a legal services perspective when they are instructed by the NHS Litigation Authority (NHSLA) to investigate any claims and therefore we advise you to contact the NHSLA directly in this instance. They can be contacted via: FOI@nhsla.com

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Yours sincerely

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