

Notice of an inquiry under the Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Act 2016

SHERIFFDOM OF GRAMPIAN HIGHLAND AND ISLANDS

Court ref: ABE-B945-19

ANDREW SHANKS , PROCURATOR FISCAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF ABERDEEN GIVES NOTICE UNDER SECTION 17(3) OF THE INQUIRIES INTO FATAL ACCIDENTS AND SUDDEN DEATHS ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2016 THAT:

1. An inquiry into the deaths of :

GEORGE THOMAS ALLISON

SARAH HELEN DARNLEY

GARY McCROSSAN

DUNCAN MUNRO

is to be held.

2. The inquiry is a mandatory inquiry under sections 2(1) and 2(3) of the Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Act 2016 ("the 2016 Act") in respect of the deaths of GEORGE THOMAS ALLISON, SARAH HELEN DARNLEY, GARY McCROSSAN and DUNCAN MUNRO. Their deaths occurred in Scotland as a result of an accident while they were acting in the course of their employment.
3. A preliminary hearing has been fixed for 29 January 2020 within Aberdeen Sheriff Court, Castle Street, Aberdeen, AB10 1WP.

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4. You may wish to seek legal advice and may be eligible for legal aid to enable you to participate in this inquiry.

If you wish to participate in this inquiry you must apply to the sheriff to do so under rule 3.5 of the Act of Sederunt (Fatal Accident Inquiry Rules) 2017.

Your attention is drawn to paragraphs 6 and 7 of the first order made by the court, a copy of which is also published on the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Website.

Paragraph 6 of the first order appoints any person who is not given notice under section 17(1) of the Act, but who wishes to appear at the preliminary hearing assigned for 29 January 2020, to make application in accordance with rule 3.5 of the Act of Sederunt (Fatal Accident Inquiry Rules) 2017 by no later than 12 noon on 10 January 2020.

Paragraph 7 of the first order assigns 20 January 2020 at 12 noon within Aberdeen Sheriff Court as a hearing in respect of any application lodged pursuant to Paragraph 6.