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Dear Lady Young,

Re: Letter dated 14 September 2023

I write in response to your letter dated 14 September 2023, in which you ask the Attorney General to investigate the conduct of University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (UCLH) as a contempt of court.

Contempt of court happens when there is conduct that interferes with or creates a risk of interference with the administration of justice. You argue that a court order dated 28 January 2022 was not complied with by UCLH. If I have understood the material you have provided correctly, your assertion about the witnesses is one which you make following evidence which has subsequently been made available but was not available at the time of the inquest. The circumstances you have described, do not appear to amount to a contempt of court situation but may amount to a reason to seek a fresh inquest.

The Law Officers are the chief legal advisers to the government and cannot provide legal advice to members of the public. You may wish to seek independent legal advice as we cannot provide legal advice to individuals. Or you may wish to raise it with the coroner.

Yours sincerely,

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