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Deputy District Judge Edwards (or Judge acting)  
Brighton County Court  
William Street  
BRIGHTON BN2 0RF

**Dear Sir or Madam**

**Bennett -v- Brighton and Sussex University Hospital NHS Trust**  
**Claim Number 7BN01851**

**Thank you for your Order dated 23 January 2008.**

**I am sorry to have to tell you that the Trust and I have been unable to reach agreement to settle this matter out of Court. I therefore believe that there will need to be a Case Management Conference soon. I enclose copies of letters I have written today to Mr Duncan Selbie, the Trust's Chief Executive and to Mrs Melinda Stone, the Medico-legal Services Manager at the Trust. If possible, I would like the Court to address the events of 5 November 2007 although these are not mentioned in my Particulars of Claim. This is because these events happened sometime after that Claim was lodged.**

**Even at this early stage, it might help if I indicate that 9 April 2008 should be avoided for a hearing (and also two working days either side) as I will be undergoing an operation at Moorfields Eye Hospital. Please also avoid the last ten days of April.**

**Yours Sincerely**

**Colin B. Bennett**

**copies:**

- 1. Mr Duncan Selbie, Chief Executive**
- 2. Mrs Melinda Stone**