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| **STRICTLY PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL**<<NAME>><<ADDRESS>><<ADDRESS>><<ADDRESS>><<ADDRESS>><<ADDRESS>> | <<ADDRESS>> Tel: <<TELEPHONE NO>> Ask for: <<NAME OF APPLICANT/PRACTIONER>> Email: <<EMAIL>> <<DATE>> |
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Dear <<NAME>>

**RE <<NAME OF Person>> <<DOB>> Your Acceptance to act as Rule 1.2 representative**

Thank you for agreeing to act as Rule 1.2 representative for your <<RELATIVE/FRIEND>>. As part of the Deprivation of Liberty application the court, a statement is required from you giving your views on the arrangements for your <<RELATIVE/FRIEND>> and whether you consider these to be in their best interests. An example is available but please note this is for reference only, and you should give your own views in your own words within your statement.

Within the cop24 witness statement, you need to respond to the following questions:

* What is your relationship to the person? (e.g. I am the mother/father/daughter/son etc of ..........)
* Are you happy/willing to act/continue to act as representative for the person?
* Confirmation that you have received a copy of the updated care plan, COPDOL11 application form, Best Interests Meeting minutes, COP3 capacity assessment form and GP diagnosis letter from the local authority (please refer to each of these documents individually within your statement).
* Are you happy with the care the person receives, and do you approve of the care plan?
* Do you have any concerns with the care or care plan? If so, please explain what your concerns are with the care plan.
* Do you believe an oral hearing is necessary?
* Why is the restriction on the person’s liberty in their best interests? Please give reasons.

If you have any queries about completing the statement, please contact <<NAME OF APPLICANT/PRACTITIONER>> on the contact details above.

Yours sincerely

<<NAME>>

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Enc The COP Application to authorise a DoL (COPDoL11 form)

The COP Assessment of capacity (COP3 form)

The COP witness statement (COP24 form) - blank copy

The care and support plan

The Best Interests meeting minutes

The GP diagnosis letter