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The Right Hon Lord Cullen PC, Lord President
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Thursday 6th February 03

Dear Sir,

Petition PE306 Calling for a register of membership of organisations such as the Freemasons for members of the judiciary.

In connection with the above petition I have had certain representations made to me to the effect that you are, or were a freemason. The allegations surrounding your connections with freemasonry may be relevant in a submission that I will be making to the Justice Committee and it would be of assistance to me if you could confirm or otherwise whether you have taken the Oath of Entered Apprentice in Freemasonry.

Thanking you in anticipation of your cooperation.

Yours faithfully,

Thomas Minogue. Petitioner.

Enclosures: S.A.E.



The Lord President's Private Office
Parliament House Edinburgh EH1 1RQ

11 February 2003

Tom Minogue, Esq.,
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Dear Mr. Minogue,

**PE 306 BY MR. THOMAS MINOGUE ON FREEMASONRY AND THE
JUDICIARY**

I refer to your letter of 6 February which was addressed to the Lord President.

The Lord President is more than a little puzzled by the reference in your letter to certain representations having been made to you to the effect that he is or was a freemason. Further, given the terms of his judicial oath, he finds the implication of your request to be extraordinary.

However, Lord Cullen has instructed me to inform you that he is not and never has been a freemason nor does he have the slightest interest in becoming one.

Yours sincerely,

ALAN MAXWELL
Private Secretary

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Thursday 6th February 03

Dear Sir,

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In connection with the above petition I have had certain representations made to me to the effect that William Douglas Cullen the current Lord President of the Court of Session is or was a freemason. The allegations surrounding his connections with freemasonry may be relevant to a submission that I will be making to the Justice Committee and it would be of assistance to me if you could confirm or otherwise whether your records indicate whether he has or has not taken the Oath of Entered Apprentice in Freemasonry.

Thanking you in anticipation of your cooperation.

Yours faithfully,

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10th February 2003

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Dear Sir,

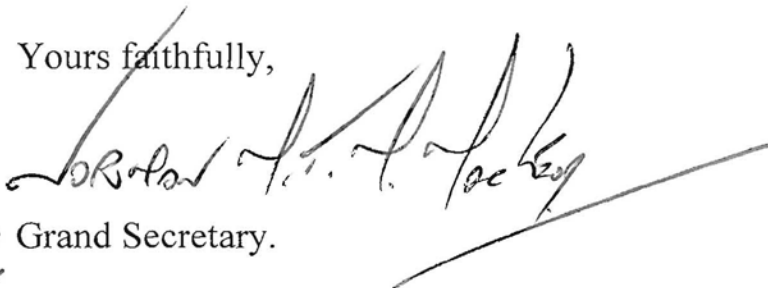
Petition PE306 Calling for a register of membership of organisations such as the Freemasons for members of the judiciary.

I have received by Recorded Delivery your letter to me of 6th February 2003 above-captioned.

I note your enquiry regarding William Douglas Cullen, the current Lord President of the Court of Session. I confirm that it is not the practice of the Grand Lodge of Scotland to provide details as to the membership or otherwise of our Order of gentlemen who are still alive.

I respectfully suggest that if you wish to know whether or not Lord Cullen is or was a Freemason you make enquiry directly of him.

Yours faithfully,



Grand Secretary.

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Friday 14th February 03

Dear Sir,

Petition PE 306 Calling for a register of membership of organisations such as the Freemasons for members of the judiciary.

I wrote to you on 6th February in connection with the above matter and I asked if you would confirm if you are a Mason or had ever taken the oath of Entered Apprentice in Freemasonry.

I am still awaiting your answer and while your Private Secretary Mr Alan Maxwell has given me **his** understanding of what your position is the matters that I am enquiring about are of such a nature that a third party statement would not satisfy me. I trust you will give serious consideration to answering my question in person and look forward to your reply.

Yours faithfully,

Thomas Minogue. Petitioner

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Friday 21st February 03

Dear Sir,

Petition PE 306 Calling for a register of membership of organisations such as the Freemasons for members of the judiciary.

I wrote to you on 6th February and 14th February in connection with the above matter and on both occasions I asked if you would confirm if you are a Mason or had ever taken the oath of Entered Apprentice in Freemasonry.

I am still awaiting your answer and I would repeat that while your Private Secretary Mr Alan Maxwell has given me **his** understanding of what your position is the matters that I am enquiring about are of such a nature that a third party statement would not satisfy me. Again I would urge you to give serious consideration to answering my question in person and look forward to your reply at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

Thomas Minogue. Petitioner

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26 February 2003

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Dear Mr. Minogue,

**PETITION PE 306 CALLING FOR A REGISTER OF MEMBERSHIP OF
ORGANISATIONS SUCH AS THE FREEMASONS FOR MEMBERS OF
THE JUDICIARY**

The Lord President has seen your further letters of 14 and 21 February.

The Lord President has instructed me to inform you that he has nothing to add to what is stated in my letter of 11 February which clearly sets out his position on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Alan Maxwell

ALAN MAXWELL
Private Secretary