

Judicial Communications Office

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PRESS NOTICE

LEGACY INQUEST UNIT

INQUESTS TOUCHING UPON THE DEATHS OF KEVIN MCKEARNEY & JOHN (JACK) MCKEARNEY AND CHARLES & TERESA FOX

The inquests touching upon the deaths of Kevin McKearney, John (Jack) McKearney, Charles Fox and Teresa Fox will commence on 23 January 2023 at Craigavon Court before the Coroner, His Honour Judge Greene.

On 3 January 1992 Kevin McKearney, who was 32 years old, and his uncle Jack McKearney, who was 69 years old, were shot while working in the family butchers shop in the Moy, Dungannon. Kevin McKearney died from his injuries on 3 January 1992 while Jack McKearney died from his injuries on 4 April 1992.

On 6 September 1992, Charles Fox, who was 63 years old, and his wife Teresa Fox, who was 54 years old, sustained gunshot wounds in their home in the area of the Moy, Dungannon. Both died from their injuries.

These inquests, the first into the deaths of Kevin McKearney, Jack McKearney, Charles Fox and Teresa Fox, were linked following a review of legacy inquests by the Presiding Coroner, The Honourable Mr Justice Humphreys.

These inquests are included within the 5 year legacy inquest plan.

NOTES TO EDITORS

1. Please note that due to limited courtroom capacity as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, limited seating is available for members of the press within the courtroom. Should any member of the press wish to attend court, please contact the Legacy Inquest Unit in advance on 028 9044 6835 / legacy@courtsni.gov.uk.
2. The proceedings can also be followed via sightlink 67 - <https://my.sightlink.net/meet/32148959/>. The inquest will commence at 10.30am each day at which point the sightlink will be locked. The press are asked to logon to sightlink 10 minutes prior to commencement.

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