Dear member of the CBA and/or South Eastern Circuit,

I write to you on behalf of both the CBA and SEC.

I have been asked to assist to try and sort out teething problems now that BCM/PTPHs are up and running and suggest ways of improving the system. I meet regularly with the senior judiciary and government representatives to try and achieve just this.

However, the only way to improve the system is to collate examples of all the problems, be willing to receive suggestions and if possible, implement them.

Could practitioners SUCCINCTLY provide objective examples and/or suggestions (removing your name if you wish) as to how to improve the BCM/PTPH/DCS system and send them to Aaron at the Circuit office (aaron.dolan@southeastcircuit.org,uk).

I suggest the following details are included to make it easier for you;

* Crown Court
* Case Name or Number
* Date
* Description of the Problem
* How did the Judge manage the problem
* End result.
* What could have been done in advance to make the PTPH effective, either from a

 Defence or CPS perspective?

* What is working well with BCM in your experience?

We have set up an anonymous collating tool where you are able to enter the required data with ease. You can access the collating tool HERE.

In addition, you may find it useful to sign for ‘alerts’ from the Judicial website. Every 6/7 weeks the SPJ’s office issues a ‘Better Case Management’ newsletter which highlights key problems and resolutions. These newsletters have been available on the CBA website since BCM inception HERE, if you choose to receive the alert directly then you can sign up HERE.

Thank you all for your assistance.

Kerim Fuad QC