

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF VETERINARY SURGEONS**

**INQUIRY RE:**

**JULIA LOUISE CREESE (1)  
ELIZABETH SING MAY LAW (2)**

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**CHARGES**

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**Julia Louise Creese**

**THAT, being registered in the register of veterinary surgeons and whilst in practice at the Riverside Veterinary Practice in Spalding, Lincolnshire (“the practice”), you:**

1. Between 1 July 2016 and 8 November 2017 failed to ensure that there were adequate systems and processes in place for out of hours’ care for in-patients;
2. Between 1 July 2016 and 8 November 2017, publicised the practice, or allowed it to be publicised, by way of its website and/or notices, using the terms “24 hour care provided by our vets at our practice” and/or “Care 24/7 for your pets” when such publicity was:
  - (i) dishonest, as it suggested that staff were present at the practice 24 hours a day when they were not; and/or
  - (ii) misleading, as it suggested that staff were present at the practice 24 hours a day when they were not;
3. Between 1 July 2016 and 8 November 2017, failed to ensure that Penny and Anthony O’Callaghan, the owners of Kiwi, a German Shepherd/wolfhound cross dog, were informed about arrangements at the practice for out of hours’ care for in-patients;

**AND THAT, in relation to the matters set out above, whether individually or in any combination, you are guilty of disgraceful conduct in a professional respect.**

**Elizabeth Sing May Law**

**THAT, being registered in the register of veterinary surgeons and whilst in practice at the Riverside Veterinary Practice in Spalding, Lincolnshire (“the practice”), you:**

1. In relation to Kiwi, a German Shepherd/wolfhound cross dog belonging to Penny and Anthony O’Callaghan, having on 7 November 2017 performed surgery to Kiwi to address gastric dilation volvulus:
  - (i) failed to obtain informed consent to the entirety of the surgical process and management, to include post-operative aftercare;
  - (ii) failed to provide adequate analgesia to Kiwi pre-operatively and/or peri-operatively and/or post-operatively;
  - (iii) failed to provide appropriate and/or adequate fluid therapy to Kiwi;
  - (iv) failed to offer an appropriate and or adequate post-operative care plan and/or post-operative transfer for Kiwi to another practice;
  - (v) failed to inform Mr and Mrs O’Callaghan that there would be nobody present at the practice to provide post-operative monitoring and/or aftercare for Kiwi for approximately seven hours during the night of 7 to 8 November 2017;
  - (vi) allowed Kiwi to remain at the practice overnight from 12:30am to 07:45am on 8 November 2017 without adequate monitoring and/or post-operative aftercare;

**AND THAT, in relation to the matters set out above, whether individually or in any combination, you are guilty of disgraceful conduct in a professional respect**