

**OFFICE OF THE
DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER**

Ms N K-Dit-Rawe

John Prescott, the
then Deputy PM with
responsibility for
housing who was one
(of the many)
landlords' henchmen
e.g.
forfeiture legislation

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Dear Ms Rawe

Re: Service Charges

Predictably, it was followed by a 2nd 'Get lost!' of
26.11.03 from Siobhan McGrath, then President of the
tribunals. See Doc library # 1.1 and # 1.2

Thank you for your letter of 28 August in which you mentioned unreasonable demands from your landlord for the renovation of the flat in which your building is located. I understand, from my colleague Tamsin King and from the correspondence which you sent with your letter, that you have contacted various agencies for assistance and that, unfortunately, the Leasehold Valuation Tribunal is unable to re-open your case.

Since you contacted us, I have been in touch with LEASE and have spoken to Nicholas Kissin, whom I understand offered you advice on previous occasions. Mr Kissin would be happy to advise you again on the best course of action open to you at this moment in time. For reference, the number for LEASE is 020 7490 9580 and they can also be reached by e-mail on info@lease-advice.org. With regard to the LVT, you may wish to consider lodging a formal complaint. To do this, you will need to write to the President of the London Leasehold Valuation Tribunal. I list their details below:

President
Residential Property Tribunal Service
10 Alfred Place
London WC1E 7LR

Tel: 020 7446 7750
Fax: 020 7580 5684
Email: rptscorporateunit@odpm.gsi.gov.uk

I am sorry not to be able to be of further assistance to you at this moment in time. Please do not hesitate to contact the Leasehold Reform Branch should you require further assistance or information in the future.

Yours sincerely
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(B) N K-Dit-Rawe's comment:
Which amounted to another opportunity for the office of the Deputy PM to slam the door in my face

See LVT # 7 for my battle with Siobhan McGrath

(A) N K-Dit-Rawe's comment: Inaccurate; LEASE makes it very clear that it does not advise on cases. The only thing it does is quote legislation