

Mullan who was the chief staff member. He then allocated it to the members. I am not sure if there was any strategic decision as to which member got which case, but I do not think that cases were allocated on the basis of a member's specialism. I would go into the ICPC offices on my allocated day, and deal with whatever files were on my desk. I suppose that there may have been a perception that because of my legal background, I could deal with more complicated cases, but this was not something that was ever discussed and it was certainly not my view that I was more capable to deal with these issues than any of the other members. Another member, Sue Bryson was also legally qualified.

11. I ensured that there was never a conflict in any case I dealt with. If I recognised a complainant's name, I would immediately pass the file to another member.

Rosemary Nelson Complaint

12. I had never worked with Rosemary Nelson during my legal career and so when a complaint which concerned her came in and was handed to me, I saw no reason why I should not supervise it. I had been working for the ICPC for about three months when the first complaint came in, in April 1997. I cannot say how many files I had handled for the ICPC by that time.
13. The complaint had actually been lodged with the ICPC by the Lawyers Alliance for Justice in Ireland ("LAJI") and was received on 20 March 1997. A copy of this correspondence is attached at **RNI 202.002-003**. As recorded in Greg Mullan's note dated 4 April 1997 (**RNI 202.019**), the RUC initially did not class the correspondence from the LAJI as a complaint. This was a significant and odd decision given that the complaint emanated from outside Northern Ireland, and also due to the seriousness of the complaint itself, which was sufficient to require ICPC supervision. This was something that was picked up by Paul Donnelly rather than myself. Paul would be better placed than I to provide further information about the basis for the RUC's original decision and the reasons why the RUC ultimately reconsidered the matter and re-