

International Happiness Day

20<sup>th</sup> March 2013 is the first UN sponsored International Happiness Day. The idea is to try to bring happiness to someone today. Staff and Partners at Caesar and Howie, members of Solicitors for Older People Scotland will try to do something for someone to make them happy. But what could the firm do? Of course this day is not all about money – quite the contrary. On the other hand it would certainly make a client happy to have their fee cancelled would it not? This is not something for which lawyers are perhaps well known.

The lucky clients on this occasion happened to be Douglas and Alexandra Smith of Aberdeen whose Equity Release case settled today. The legal fee note was cancelled completely. "We are delighted" said Alexandra. "We plan to do a complete garden makeover and other improvements with the money. It was great news to hear we were getting the money today so quickly – then even better to hear our fees were being waived." Douglas added – "I had never heard of International Happiness Day but we are quite happy now I can tell you! But we will donate some of our windfall to a local charity - hopefully that will help spread the happiness a wee bit further".

David Borrowman, Senior Partner commented "This has been a bit of fun for all involved. But there is a serious message behind the day and hopefully everyone reading this today will want to do something to bring happiness to someone close to them".

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