

## **Public Release**

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**State Overreach -**

**The King (on application of Gill) v Department for Work & Pensions**

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On 18 December 2025, a principal of The Good State Project, Timandeep Singh Gill, commenced proceedings at the Administrative Court (High Court) with the Department for Work & Pensions (“DWP”) regarding certain unlawful management practices of the DWP in relation to the payment of backdated disability support as mandated by judicial order

The case centres on the DWP refusing to comply with judicial orders for the back-payment payment and commencement of disability support following final judgement, without a re-engagement on sensitive assessment areas

The Administrative Court is being requested to make the following findings of fact with regards to the DWP:

1. Unlawful conduct contrary to the principles of Wednesbury reasonableness;
2. Breach of the Claimant’s right to peaceful enjoyment of possessions under Article 1 of Protocol 1 (“A1P1”) of the European Convention on Human Rights;
3. Degrading treatment contrary to Article 3 ECHR, in the context of a claimant’s vulnerability and dependency on disability support;
4. Contempt of court arising from continued and knowing refusal to comply with the tribunal’s lawful order

Speaking about the case at the Administrative Court, founder of The Good State Project, Timandeep Singh Gill made the following statement :

“.... This case is challenging the state’s belief that it may act contrary to judicial order in circumstances where a certain tribunal lacks enforcement ability for its own orders. Not only must the higher courts intervene in these kinds of situations to restore the general authority of the judiciary, it must consider how a state department is interfering with the rightful possessions of a citizen and seeking to compromise the ongoing support by soliciting responses that may compromise future re-assessments

In the opinion of The Good State Project, this constitutes both degrading treatment of disabled people as well as contempt for the rule of law....

The Good State Project understands that the legal bar for Article 3 breaches is a very high one, though in this case the ordinary meaning and understanding of such subversive treatment of vulnerable people for subsistence level

support is applied and in good faith the legal grounds of an Article 3 breach must be put forward for consideration by the Court....”

Further public releases on this case will be made in due course

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