[Enter your Name and Address here]

[Enter your Creditors Name and Address here]

[Enter Date here]  
  
  
  
Dear Sir/Madam

WITHOUT PREJUDICE

Account / Reference Number: [Enter Creditors Account / Reference Number here]

You have contacted me regarding the account with the above reference number, which you claim is owed by myself.

I would point out that under the Limitation (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 "an action founded on simple contract shall not be brought after the expiration of six years from the date on which the cause of action accrued."

I would also point out that the OFT say under their Debt Collection Guidance on statute barred debt that "it is unfair to pursue the debt if the debtor has heard nothing from the creditor during the relevant limitation period."

The last acknowledgement of this debt was made over six years ago and no further acknowledgement or payment has been made since that time. Unless you can provide evidence of payment or written contact from me in the relevant period under the Limitation (Northern Ireland) Order 1989, I suggest that you are no longer able to take any court action against me to recover the alleged amount claimed.

The OFT Debt Collection Guidance states further that "continuing to press for payment after a debtor has stated that they will not be paying a debt because it is statue barred could amount to harassment contrary to the Administration of Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 1954".

I await your written confirmation that no further contact will be made concerning the above account and confirmation that this matter is now closed.

Yours faithfully

[Enter your Name here]