



ARCS: 292- 30
File: JAG-2013-00711

May 29, 2013

Sent via email:

Dear :

Re: Request for Access to Records
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Justice and Attorney General.
Your request is for:

Details of any out-of-court settlements between the BC government and inmates in provincial correctional facilities and pre-trial jails, including the amounts of the pay-outs and the reason each claim was filed [excluding] specifics that would identify the inmate; Annual totals of all pay-outs/settlements to inmates in correctional facilities and pre-trial jails. Date range is January 1, 2008 to April 2, 2013.

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. The information requested is publicly available in the *Crown Proceedings Act* Report and can be accessed through the Legislative Library at:

http://www.llbc.leg.bc.ca/public/pubdocs/bcdocs2010_2/157280/index.htm

The settlement amounts for fiscal year 2012/13 will be provided by parliamentary report to the Speaker and tabled in the Legislative Assembly in the future pursuant to the *Crown Proceeding Act*. The Ministry is unable to release the information prior to the introduction of this parliamentary report given that doing so would be contempt of the Legislative Assembly.

Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of 72 hours after it is released electronically or a minimum of five business days after it has been released by mail in hardcopy. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: <http://www.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/ibc/index.page>

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If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Donna Wilkinson, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 387-0831. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604-660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1-800-663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 250 387-0831.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D. Kotchonoski', is centered on a light-colored rectangular background.

Darlene Kotchonoski, for
Vicki Hudson, Manager
Justice / Social Team
Information Access Operations

Enclosures

<p>How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</p>
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If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner
PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria BC V8W 9A4
Telephone 250-387-5629 Fax 250-387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

1. A copy of your original request;
2. A copy of our response; and
3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.