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File: CFD-2019-93582

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Sent via email:

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 Children and Family Development. Your request is for:

Copies of all records involving the BC Federation of Foster Parent Associations letter to Mark Sieben, then the Assistant Deputy Minister of Integrated Policy and Legislation for MCFD, in 2017 which outlined the concerns of the BC Federation of Foster Parent Associations with regard to the storage of "child-in-care" (CIC) records and access to those records in their unaltered state by foster parents should legal issues, including civil proceedings for child abuse and neglect.; include all correspondence and records, including the response(s) of Mark Sieban to these concerns. Time frame is approximately 2007 however records may extend into 2008 and beyond, if so please assist the applicant by way of email notification. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2007 To 12/31/2007)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. These records are provided to you in their entirety.

The Ministry has provided an additional explanation to your request:

The Ministry has since been restructured since 2007 and the Division that received this letter no longer exists. The ADM who received/sent the letters is now a Deputy Minister at another Ministry. The BC Federation of Foster Parent Associations may hold a copy of their letter to the Ministry.

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Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of ten business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Merissa Hughes, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 356-7869. 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 250 356-7869.

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 'Merissa Hughes', is positioned above the typed name.

Merissa Hughes, Senior FOI Analyst
On behalf of Jamie Onciul, Manager
Social / Tech 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.