



ARCS: 292-30
File: JAG-2017-71162

August 4, 2017

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 Justice. You narrowed your request on May 4, 2017 through conversation and/or email with Katie Innes. Additionally, you agreed to receive only final/approved versions of briefing notes, (or when no final/approved version exists, the most recent draft). Your narrowed request is for:

All briefing notes created from Jan.1, 2016 to Mar. 25, 2017 for the Minister or Deputy Minister, on the state of the legal aid system in BC. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2016 to 03/25/2017)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 12 (Cabinet and local public body confidences), 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 14 (Legal advice), 16 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations or negotiations), 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body), and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165_00

As per your agreement with Katie Innes on May 26, 2017 about receiving final/approved versions, a draft copy has been removed as 'not responsive' or 'NR.' Your file is now closed.

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These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of five 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 Kelly Morita, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 356-2030. 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 250 356-2030.

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 black ink, appearing to read 'kmorita', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Kelly Morita, FOI Specialist for:
Cindy Kukucska, 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.