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Our ref: 98435

Dear Section (9)

Official information request for Pathologist process documents

Thank you for your email of 15 August 2022, in which you request information concerning documents for post-mortem examinations. Your request is as follows, and is being managed in accordance with the provisions of the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Are you able to send me the process documents associated with the tests, sampling that is done when a Autopsy / Post Mortem examination is completed? Can you also send me a template report so I can see what fields are reported on by the pathologist.

This request is declined under section 18(g) of the Act, as the information is not held by the Ministry of Justice. The Ministry endeavoured to transfer to Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand, but they were unable to assist us.

It is possible that Te Whatu Ora may hold some information. If you want to contact them, please email: oia@adhb.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The Ombudsman can be contacted by emailing info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or calling 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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