



Legal Services Act 2007

2007 CHAPTER 29

PART 6

LEGAL COMPLAINTS

Information

151 Restricted information

- (1) Except as provided by section 152, restricted information must not be disclosed—
 - (a) by a restricted person, or
 - (b) by any person who receives the information directly or indirectly from a restricted person.

- (2) In this section and section 152—

“restricted information” means information (other than excluded information) which is obtained by a restricted person in the course of, or for the purposes of, an investigation into a complaint made under the ombudsman scheme (including information obtained for the purposes of deciding whether to begin such an investigation or in connection with the settlement of a complaint);

“restricted person” means—

 - (a) the OLC,
 - (b) an ombudsman, or
 - (c) a person who exercises functions delegated under paragraph 22 of Schedule 15.

- (3) For the purposes of subsection (2) “excluded information” means—
 - (a) information which is in the form of a summary or collection of information so framed as not to enable information relating to any particular person to be ascertained from it;
 - (b) information which at the time of the disclosure is or has already been made available to the public from other sources;

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- (c) information which was obtained more than 70 years before the date of the disclosure.