



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2018-00997

**Keyword:** Human Resources

**Subject:** Sergeant Promotion Process

### Request and Answer:

Your request for information has now been considered. In respect of Section 1(1)(a) of the Act I can confirm that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does hold information to which your request relates. The decision has been taken to disclose the following.

#### Request 1

In relation to the Sergeant's promotion process which was advertised in March 2014, in addition to the information attached to your previous response, can you kindly confirm the following –

Of the 2240 applicants how many were successful in the stage 1 written exam and proceeded to stage 2?

#### Answer

A total of 570 officers passed the Stage 2 legal exam and progressed to Stage 3.

#### Request 2

How many successful applicants proceeded from stage 2 to stage 3?

#### Answer

A total of 726 officers proceeded to Stage 3 (this included 156 officers who did not have to sit the legal exam as they had successfully taken the PSNI Sergeants' OSPRE Part Examination previously).

If you have any queries regarding your request or the decision please do not hesitate to contact me on 028 9070 0164. When contacting the Freedom of Information Team, please quote the reference number listed at the beginning of this letter.

If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter. In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to the Head of Freedom of Information, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by

emailing [foi@psni.pnn.police.uk](mailto:foi@psni.pnn.police.uk).

If following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision maker, you were to remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request you may make a complaint, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the PSNI has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act. You can write to the Information Commissioner at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out, however the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

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Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.