

Keeping People Safe



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2022-00444

Keyword: Complaints/Discipline

Subject: PSNI Officers - Cautions & Convictions

Request and Answer:

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

Request 1

Can you confirm how many serving officers in the PSNI have received a caution or conviction in the last 10 years?

Clarification Sought from Requester

Can you define what you mean by 'Serving Officers' is this Police Officers currently employed by PSNI, or officers who were employed by the PSNI at the time of their conviction, and may have been subsequently dismissed / left the organisation?

Clarification Received from Requester

I would like the information on officers who were employed by the PSNI at the time of their conviction or caution.

Answer 1

A total of 174 officers.

Request 2

Of those who have received a caution or conviction please advise the offence/offences which the conviction/caution relates to

Request 3

Please also advise the outcome of any disciplinary proceedings taken against the officer in relation to the conviction/caution

Answers 2 – 3

Please see the information requested in the Excel Spreadsheet provided.

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 Corporate Information Branch, 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 Corporate Information Branch, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing foi@psni.police.uk.

If, following an Internal Review carried out by an independent decision maker, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, 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', or use the ICO self-service portal available at www.ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/officialinformation-concerns-report/official-information-concern/

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 their discretion.

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