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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

A CONTRACTOR

Request Number: F-2020-01749

Keyword: Human Resources

Subject: Constable to Sergeant Legal Exam Subject Breakdown

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

I refer to the link for the College of Policing National Police Promotion Framework below:

https://www.college.police.uk/What-we-

do/Development/Promotion/Documents/NPPF_Step_2_Sgts_2019_Subject%20Area%20Breakdown.pdf

Please provide the subject area breakdown of the last 3 Constable to Sergeant legal examinations held by the PSNI in the format shown in the link above, i.e book, subject, subset.

Answer

PSNI's last three Sergeant competitions were held in 2014, 2016 and 2018.

Whilst the PSNI does not hold the information in the format you have requested, to assist and in accordance with our Section 16 obligations, we have provided in the attached document information from the PSNI Study Guides for the 2014, 2016 and 2018 promotion competitions.

Please note that the same Study Guide is used for both the Constable to Sergeant process and Sergeant to Inspector process.

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.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.

Please be advised that PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ <u>www.psni.police.uk</u>

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