

3 September 2020

Mr Johnny Brebner

By email: fyi-request-13352-479c682c@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Brebner

Official information request – additional information regarding complaints made by students about LAWS 211

I refer to your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) dated 17 August 2020:

The response I received from VUW contains information that I did request, as well as additional information which was extremely helpful. However, there appears to be correspondence omitted. For example, complaints and emails I and others sent to Professor McLauchlan and VUW faculty. I would like clarification as to how this information was compiled, and if it was possible that information requested was accidentally or intentionally omitted. If it appears information may have been omitted, I request that it be located and released.

Please find attached the additional information covered by your original OIA request dated 20 July 2020, which the University has located following further enquiries.

The omission of this information from the University's communication to you dated 18 August 2020 in response to your original request was inadvertent and unintentional and is regretted. The additional information was retrieved after expanding the search for information relevant to the original request to enquiries of the Acting Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching) and also reviewing additional information in the Faculty's central email account for law undergraduates.

In the University's 18 August 2020 response, names of individuals were redacted other than senior staff members in the Faculty or University Central Services. We have taken the same approach in relation to the enclosed additional information.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone o800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact us at oiarequests@vuw.ac.nz.

Yours sincerely

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