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Kia ora Beryl

## Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-026645

Thank you for your request of 25 July 2023, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I write requesting confirmation that Fale Andrew Lesa is either currently or has previously been held the position of "director" at ACC. Mr Lesa claimed to be a Director of ACC during the recent local body election campaign in Auckland through inclusion in electioneering material.

I am concerned the claim was made inappropriately in the context of an election campaign, giving the impression that Mr Lesa is a member of the Corporation's board. Are you able to confirm whether or not Mr Lesa is affiliated to ACC in a 'director' role?

If Mr Lesa is not affiliated with ACC in such a position, will the Corporation contact Mr Lesa via his Manurewa Local Board contact information and ask him to retract this claim?

The Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC) does not have a position titled 'director'

A list of current ACC Board and executive members is publicly available at: <a href="www.acc.co.nz/about-us/who-we-are/our-minister-board-ce-and-executive/">www.acc.co.nz/about-us/who-we-are/our-minister-board-ce-and-executive/</a>.

Please note there are no records of Fale Andrew Lesa been a member of the ACC's Board or its executive team, nor having been employed by ACC.

## If you have any questions about this response, please get in touch

You can email me at <u>GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz</u>. If you are not happy with this response, you can also contact the Ombudsman via <u>info@ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or by phoning 0800 802 602. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u>.

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