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Dear Mr Jordan

Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your email of 23 February 2016 regarding Cambridge Physiotherapy vs ACC.

Your request

You asked for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1/ Judicial Report provided to ACC regarding the hearing in the Hamilton Court approximately four years ago.*
- 2/ Please provide total costs to the ACC for this hearing including Legal, Accommodation, Consumables/Stationery, Meals and liable costs etc*
- 3/ Please provide further comment to this decision so's to avoid a similar hearing*

Our response

Question 1

ACC advises that the High Court decision document on Cambridge Physiotherapy Services Limited v Accident Compensation Corporation that was provided to ACC can be found on website of the New Zealand Legal Information Institute:

www.nzlii.org/cgi-bin/sinodisp/nz/cases/NZHC/2012/999.html?query=cambridge%20physiotherapy

Question 2

ACC has identified as best it can from historic payment records that a total of \$154,297.55 was paid in external legal fees for preparation and argument at the hearing of the civil proceedings brought against ACC by Cambridge Physiotherapy Ltd. Of this, a total of \$847.92 is recorded as having been in relation to travel, and \$483.48 is recorded for meals and accommodation. ACC does not allocate internal staff time to individual matters, so details of these costs are not available.

Question 3

ACC does not provide comment on these matters and is under no obligation to do so.

ACC is happy to answer your questions

If you have any questions, ACC will be happy to work with you to answer these. You can contact us at GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz or in writing to *Government Services, PO Box 242, Wellington 6140.*

You have the right to complain to the Office of the Ombudsman about our decision. You can call them on 0800 802 602 between 9am and 5pm on weekdays, or write to *The Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.*

Yours sincerely

Government Services