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Our ref: OIA 70229

Dear M. Grainger

Official Information Act 1982 request

Thank you for your email dated 21 August 2018 in which you have requested, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the current number of civil court judgments considered to be “outstanding beyond a reasonable time for delivery” in accordance with section 170(1)(b) of the Senior Courts Act 2016 and the length of time outstanding (in days) for each case. Your request has been referred to me for response as it falls within my responsibility as Acting Group Manager, Senior Courts.

The courts are not subject to the Act (section 2(6)(a)) and therefore what you have requested is not Ministry of Justice information. For the purposes of the Act, I am refusing your request for information under section 18(g) on the basis that this information is not held by the Ministry.

The Courts of New Zealand website (www.courtsofnz.govt.nz/the-courts) lists any reports by the Chief Justice, President of the Court of Appeal and Chief High Court Judge in respect of any judgments that are considered to be outstanding beyond a reasonable time for delivery pursuant to the Senior Courts Act 2016. This information can be found under ‘Judgment delivery expectations’ on the Courts of New Zealand website.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. You can contact the Ombudsman by writing to PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143; calling 0800 802 602; or emailing info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours Sincerely



Julia Marino
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