

20 March 2019

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REF: OIA-4733

Dear Gerard

**Request made under the Official Information Act 1982**

Thank you for your email of 21 February 2019 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*a copy of an email nzta lawyers sent to lawyer david flaws on 24th january 2019 at 1.04pm.*

This information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. This section allows for the withholding of information to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

This information has also been withheld under section 9(2)(h) of the Act. This section allows for the withholding of information to maintain legal professional privilege.

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse to provide this information. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

If you would like to discuss this reply with the NZ Transport Agency, please contact Katrina Leather, Lead Advisor Employment Relations, by email to [Katrina.Leather@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:Katrina.Leather@nzta.govt.nz) or by phone on 04 894 5400.

Yours sincerely



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