



# Te Kawa Mataaho

Public Service Commission

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## Official Information Request

**Our Ref: OIA 2025-0019**

I refer to your official information request received on for:

*Refer to PSC publications 2024-0246 and 2025-0060 which were directed to the Minister of the Public Service for content and context.*

- 1. Under Section 22 OIA Act, Part 3, I request hard copy of any document issued by the Public Service Commissioner addressed to his Public Service Chief Executive employees which show the expectations of the Public Service Commissioner in respect of allegations made of misconduct made to a Chief Executive to ensure complaints / allegations are handled appropriately. Such expectations being the Public Service Commission's policy, principles, ruled or guidelines in respect of handling of allegations or complaints*
- 2. Under section 12 OIA Act, I request hard copies of any documents issued by the Public Service Commission that shows the Public Service Commission will seek assurance from a public service employer, that, the employer has considered the full details of the alleged conduct and that appropriate steps have or will be taken if applicable. If any policy, principles, rules or guidance documents have been issued by the Public Service Commission that assist the relevant employees to ensure the full details of the alleged conduct have been considered and that the appropriate steps have or will be taken, I request hard copies of all such documents under section 22 OIA Act.*
- 3. Under section 12 OIA Act, I request hard copy of all memorandum of understanding between crown agencies, as regards to the Royal Commission abuse in state care inquiry fallout. Crown agencies in this request also includes the Public Service Commission.*
- 4. Under section 12 OIA Act, I request hard copy of any document held by the relevant crown entities which refers to referral processes, so that relevant individuals (currently crown services) are subject to appropriate criminal and employment consequences*
- 5. Under section 22 OIA Act, I request hard copy of all documents created by the Public Service Commission which discusses or has made a decision, as to what is a cover up of either facts or law (e.g. disregard of the law) to assist officials in all crown agencies in investigating coverups, including Public Service Commission officials.*
- 6. Under section 12 OIA Act, I request hard copies of all Public Service Commission created documents which addresses the issue raised and stated above – in relation to reports 2024-0246 and MoSR 2025-0060*

7. *Under section 12 OIA Act, I request hard copy of any document issued by statutory Deputy Public Service Commissioner Rebecca Kitteridge that sets out expectations to “Abuse” Crown Response chief executives, including an ongoing commitment to ensure allegations are explored appropriately when raised, including considering individual accountability where relevant.*
8. *Under Section 12 OIA Act, I request hard copies of all relevant Public Service Commission created documents that address the forward looking integrity programme of PSC.*
9. *Under Section 12 OIA Act, I request any Public Service Commission documents which states the circumstances, or examples of circumstances where an allegation must be escalated and if so, to whom, name, title or both. And do any documents discuss conflicts of interest as regarded like the escalation questions above.*
10. *Under Section 12 OIA Act, I request hard copy of any document which shows the progress the Public Service Commission has made to date, in obtaining the goals in regard to the Public Service Commissions Code of Conduct.*
11. *Under Section 12 OIA Act, I request hard copies of any document which stated the progress the Public Service Commission has made to date in obtaining the goals in relation to reviewing and improving ongoing complaint management and speaking up processes.*
12. *Under Section 12 OIA Act, I request hard copy of any document which shows the progress the Public Service Commission has made to date in attaining strengthening Crown Agency Integrity Leadership.*

## **Our Response**

I have decided to refuse your requests under section 18(h) of the Official Information Act 1982 because I think the request is frivolous or vexatious, or the information requested is trivial.

The information that you continue to request is for the purpose of relitigating your original complaint and the Commission’s decision not to investigate. The information you are requesting and the continuous frequency of your requests to the Commission are disproportionate to the original issue at hand and is an abuse of the right to request information.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [Enquiries@publicservice.govt.nz](mailto:Enquiries@publicservice.govt.nz).

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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that we intend to publish this letter (with your personal details removed) on the Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission’s website.

Yours sincerely



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