

YOUR FOI REQUEST

27 July 2015

Our ref: F13/567-21

Dr Mark R Diamond

Right to Know website:

https://www.righttoknow.org.au/request/cost_of_legal_advice_in_2011#incoming-3756

Dear Dr Diamond

Your Freedom of Information Request

I refer to your posting on the Right to Know website on 5 July 2015 to the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (**ACARA**), which ACARA received on the same date, seeking access to documents under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Commonwealth) (**FOI Act**). I also refer to my acknowledgement letter to you dated 10 July 2015.

I advise that I have decided to consult with a third party in accordance with section 27 of the FOI Act, as it appears to me that the Australian Government Solicitor might reasonably wish to make a contention that:

- a. the requested document is conditionally exempt under section 47G of the FOI Act (business information); and
- b. access to the document would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

Accordingly, I advise that the deadline for providing you with my decision is extended to **Thursday 3 September 2015** (60 days).

I also advise that the document you have requested includes the name of a solicitor. I am seeking your views on whether you agree for ACARA to redact the solicitor's name, on the basis that this is not information that is likely to be of particular interest to you.

If you require clarification of any of the matters discussed in this letter, or have any queries throughout the process, please contact Peter Matheson, Board Secretary by email: peter.matheson@acara.edu.au or phone 02 8098 3116.

Yours sincerely



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