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Contact Michael Cleary
DRAFT: 11 December 2015

Ms Jenny M
By email: fyi-request3447-1a37e4b8@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Jenny

I refer to your correspondence of 4 December 2015, in which you enquire about section 25(4)(a) of the Independent Police Conduct Authority Act 1988 (IPCA Act).

Under the Ombudsmen Act 1975, an Ombudsman does not have any authority to investigate complaints about the operational conduct of the Police, and the Independent Police Conduct Authority (IPCA) is explicitly outside the jurisdiction of this Office. The IPCA Act therefore is not legislation about which this Office can provide advice.

As your question is one of statutory interpretation, I would suggest that you seek legal advice. Your local community law centre can be found at:

<http://www.communitylaw.org.nz>.

You may also wish to contact the IPCA directly. The contact details for IPCA are:

Independent Police Conduct Authority
P O Box 25221
Wellington 6146

Freephone: 0800 503 728
Email: enquiries@ipca.govt.nz
www.ipca.govt.nz

I hope that you have found my comments helpful.

Yours sincerely



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