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Glenn McAllister fyi-requests-5462-e6adfda1@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr McAllister

Thank you for your email received on 7 March 2017 requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You requested:

"the salary of the Chief Legal Advisor [for Housing New Zealand]."

Due to privacy considerations, Housing New Zealand is not able to provide you with the base salary of its chief legal advisor. This information is being withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to "... protect the privacy of natural persons...".

However, I can advise that the General Counsel position at Housing New Zealand is graded as Band S6. As of 1 July 2016, the range for this band is \$150,480 to \$225,720 (being 80 to 120 percent of the band).

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to request an ombudsman to review my decision to withhold some information.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Kelly

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