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Dear Mason Whittington

Thank you for your request of 1 October 2018, requesting:

- *How many contracts have been awarded to Helen Parks since Phil Parkes has been in leadership roles at WorkSafe?*

None. However, since February 2015 Cosman Parkes (in which Helen Parkes is a partner) have held seven contracts with WorkSafe.

- *Why Inspectors are paid less by WorkSafe than they are in the private sector when their work is needed by the government?*

The role of Health & Safety Inspector is specific to WorkSafe and the public sector, and is not comparable to the private sector. Therefore we are declining this part of your request under 18(e) of the OIA as the information does not exist.

- *What roles are Inspector jobs compared to in remuneration reviews?*

General Inspectorate roles (not including Specialist Inspectors), are benchmarked against the Public Sector Market Median from Korn Ferry Hay Group.

You have the right to request a review of this response by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

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Yours sincerely



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