



# Freedom of Information Requests – Q1/2021 Disclosure log – Non Personal Information Only

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Date of Request	Internal Reference	Applicant Type	Summary of Request*	Decision Due Date	Decision Made Date	Decision Made
05/01/2021	FOI 001/21	Journalist	Details of all available expenses incurred by the Chief Justice and the judges of the Supreme Court on official trips abroad between the dates June 1, 2017 and July 1, 2020. The records should include the following details: The purpose of the trip; The number of officials that travelled; Copies of all itineraries; Flights including whether they were economy/business class/first class and costs incurred by any flight cancellations; Accommodation costs; Entertainment costs; Transport costs; Subsistence claims; Spending on gifts for dignitaries.	02/02/2021	02/02/2021	Part-granted in accordance with Section 15(1)(a), Section 15(1)(d), Section 30(1)(b), Section 32(1)(a)(iv) and Section 37(1)
08/01/2021	FOI 002/21	Journalist	1. Copies of all correspondence received by the Courts Service from members of the public or advocate groups, if any, in relation to wheelchair/disabled access to Kerry courthouses in the period 2018 to present. 2. Copies of all correspondence received by the Courts Service from sitting judges, if any, in relation to wheelchair/disabled access to Kerry courthouses in the period 2018 to present.	08/02/2021	08/02/2021	Part-granted in accordance with Section 15(1)(a), Section 32(1)(a)(iv), Section 30(1)(b), Section 37(1) and Section 33(1)(a)
12/02/2021	FOI 003/21	Journalist	Copies of the minutes of the meetings of the senior management team for the period of October to December 2020	09/02/2021	09/02/2021	Part-granted in accordance with Section 29(1)(a) and Section 31(1)(a)

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14/01/2021	FOI 005/21	Journalist	The number of protection and interim barring orders granted to victims of domestic violence in Kerry during 2019 and during 2020	11/02/2021	10/02/2021	Part-granted in accordance with Section 15(1)(a)
27/01/2021	FOI 006/21	Journalist	Can I have records of how many times judges have stayed at Ballymaloe House in Cork when in sitting in the area for the last 10 years? Can I also have the amount of money spent on these stays?	24/02/2021	23/02/2021	Granted in full
18/01/2021	FOI 007/21	Journalist	1. The amount of people asked to serve on a jury at Dublin's Criminal Courts of Justice. 2. The amount of people who were excused, described as 'no shows', disqualified, 'return to sender', deceased etc. and did not serve on the jury. This should include all data from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020.	15/02/2021	05/02/2021	Granted in full
19/01/2021	FOI 008/21	Other	1. Number of engineering staff in your organisation who were paid or reimbursed either in part or full their annual membership fees for Engineers Ireland for the years 2018 and 2019. 2. A list of all and any other professional subscriptions or membership fees (broken down by name of institution, and staff grade and number of each separately) either paid or reimbursed, party or fully, during 2018 and 2019.	16/02/2021	16/02/2021	Part-granted in accordance with Section 15(1)(a)
19/01/2021	FOI 009/21	Journalist	The number of drink driving convictions, broken down by year and court areas in County Clare from 2010 to 2020 inclusive.	16/02/2021	03/02/2021	Granted in full
27/01/2021	FOI 013/21	Solicitor	Can you please tell me over the last 5 years, on an individual basis, the percentage of cases High Court Judges in personal injury cases have ruled in favour of Plaintiffs and also the percentage of cases in favour of Defendants	24/02/2021	10/02/2021	Refused in accordance with Section 15(1)(a)

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29/01/2021	FOI 014/21	Journalist	The number of Jurors summoned, attended, excused and did not attend for Jury Service on a national basis (including Dublin) for the period 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2020 to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2020.	01/03/2021	01/03/2021	Granted in full
03/02/2021	FOI 017/21	Journalist	1) The number of convictions relating to rape, sexual assault and exposure in District Courts in Ennis, Killaloe and Kilrush in the years 2010 to 2020 inclusive, broken down by nature of offence and location of court where conviction took place where possible. 2) The number of convictions relating to rape, sexual assault and exposure in the Circuit Court in Clare in the years 2010 to 2020 inclusive, broken down by nature of offence where possible.	03/03/2021	02/03/2021	Part-granted in accordance with Section 15(1)(a)
04/02/2021	FOI 018/21	Journalist	Request for all records: - 1. relating to the participation of a judge of the Supreme Court in a protest march in Poland in January 2020, 2. concerning the application made to or the orders made by the Supreme Court to request, order, direct or permit one of the members of the Supreme Court to participate in such a trip, to wear whilst abroad the robes of the Irish Supreme Court, 3. relating to whether this trip was recommended to or approved by the Department of Justice or the Government, 4. all records of all communication within the Supreme Court, between judges of the Supreme Court and judges of other courts, with the Courts Service, the Department of Justice with respect to that decision, 5. budgets, estimates, accounts, costs and expenditure relating to this trip whether incurred, presented, invoiced,	04/03/2021	04/03/2021	Part-granted in accordance with Section 15(1)(a), Section 32(1)(a)(iv), Section 30(1)(b), Section 36(1)(b) and Section 11

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			requested, charged or recouped by the judge or any other person with respect to this trip to Poland.			
04/02/2021	FOI 019/21	Journalist	<p>All records concerning any and all cases from 2010 to 2020 in which the Bank of Scotland (by whatever iteration) was a plaintiff or defendant in any matter mentioned to, listed before, considered by, heard by or ruled upon by Judge, whether as a judge of the High Court, a judge of the Commercial Court, president of the High Court or in any <i>ex officio</i> capacity.</p> <p>Please provide all records concerning any (a) declarations of interest made by Judge, or (b) conflicts of interest declared by Judge, or (c) self-recusal initiated by Judge, or (d) recusal at the request of any person or party made of Judge with respect to any matter in which (i) Bank of Scotland, or (ii) Bank of Scotland plc, or (iii) Bank of Scotland (Ireland) or (iv) any iteration of that bank was a party or otherwise concerned.</p>	04/03/2021	04/03/2021	Refused in accordance with Section 15(1)(a)
08/02/2021	FOI 021/21	Other	I would be grateful if you could provide details of the salary grades used for staff employed in Health & Safety Management roles.	08/03/2021	01/03/2021	Granted in full
09/02/2021	FOI 022/21	Solicitor	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Courts Service Disability Policy or policies.</li> <li>2. The role, function and remit of the Disability Access officer or equivalent officer overseeing disability access.</li> <li>3. Disability awareness, or an other disability training, provided to staff of the Courts Service.</li> <li>4. Disability awareness, or any other disability training provided to third parties providing services to, for or, on behalf of, the Courts Service.</li> <li>5. Staff of third parties providing services to, for, or on</li> </ol>	09/03/2021	15/02/2021	Withdrawn

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			<p>behalf of, the Courts Service being required to attend disability awareness training.</p> <p>6. Reports or reviews concerning disability access issues for people with disabilities accessing court buildings or Courts Service services.</p> <p>7. Communications to Courts Service staff from the Disability Access officer or equivalent officer overseeing disability access.</p> <p>8. Internal Courts Service committee or committees whose terms of reference include disability related matters.</p> <p>9. External committee or committees whose terms of reference include disability related matters on which the Courts Service participates or is represented.</p> <p>10. Involvement of Courts Service staff on internal Courts Service committee or committees dealing with disability matters.</p> <p>11. Training provided to Courts Service staff in dealing with vulnerable persons.</p> <p>12. Training of courts service staff in the assistance of people with disabilities accessing court services.</p> <p>13. Courts Service promotion of equality, prevention of discrimination and the protection of the human rights of its employees, customers and service users in accordance with the Public Sector Equality and Human Rights Duty pursuant to S 42 Irish Human Rights and Equality Act 2014.</p> <p>14. The realisation by the Courts Service of the Rights enshrined in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Person with Disabilities in particular Articles 12 and 13 thereof.</p>			

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17/02/2021	FOI 026/21	Solicitor	Can you please tell me over the last 5 years, on an individual basis, the percentage of cases High Court Judges in personal injury cases have made an award of damages to Plaintiffs and also the percentage of cases where no damages were awarded.	17/03/2021	03/03/2021	Refused in accordance with Section 15(1)(a)
23/02/2021	FOI 030/21	Journalist	Breakdown, by date, cost and location of the flights and air travel paid for by the Courts Service from 2015-2020 for judges and Courts Service staff.	24/03/2021	24/03/2021	Granted in full
23/02/2021	FOI 031/21	Journalist	The number of drug driving convictions, broken down by year and court area, in Clare from 2017 to 2020 inclusive, and in 2021 up to and including the date of this request	24/03/2021	15/03/2021	Part-granted in accordance with Section 15(1)(a)
23/02/2021	FOI 032/21	Journalist	Records relating to the amount of Circuit Court personal injury summonses issued by the Circuit Court Office, The Courthouse, Ashe Street, Tralee, Country Kerry for the years 2018, 2019 and 2020.	24/03/2021	15/03/2021	Granted in full
25/02/2021	FOI 035/21	Other	The following information regarding the e-tendering process of coaching services by the Courts Service: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework/contract and were successful &amp; not successful at the PQQ &amp; ITT stages</li> <li>• Actual spend on this contract/framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date</li> <li>• Start date &amp; duration of framework</li> <li>• Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?</li> <li>• Has a decision been made yet on whether the</li> </ul>	26/03/2021	18/03/2021	Handled outside of FOI

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			framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed? • Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?			
01/03/2021	FOI 037/21	Journalist	A copy (anonymised) of the database of incidents/accidents maintained by the Courts Service for the calendar year 2020.	30/03/2021	29/03/2021	Granted in full
01/03/2021	FOI 038/21	Journalist	A copy of any internal audit report into document storage by the Courts Service for the period 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2019 to date of receipt of the request.	30/03/2021	30/03/2021	Part-granted in accordance with Section 36(1)(b) and Section 36(1)(c)
04/03/2021	FOI 039/21	Solicitor	Any records for the period from 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2018 to 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2021, both electronic and non-electronic, held by the Courts Service relating to the following: 1. Courts Service Disability Policy or policies. 2. The role, function and remit of the Disability Access officer or equivalent officer overseeing disability access. Disability awareness, or any other disability training, provided to staff of the Courts Service. 3. Disability awareness, or any other disability training, provided to staff of the Courts Service.. 4. Disability awareness, or any other disability training provided to third parties providing services to, for or, on behalf of, the Courts Service. 5. Staff of third parties providing services to, for, or on behalf of, the Courts Service being required to attend disability awareness training. 6. Reports or reviews concerning disability access issues for	02/04/2021	02/04/2021	Part-granted in accordance with Section 37(1), Section 18(2) and Section 15(1)(a)

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05/03/2021	FOI 040/21	Solicitor	I am seeking a breakdown of how many prosecutions were brought against Pedestrians for Failing to Exercise Care in contravention of Article 46(1) of the Road Traffic (Traffic	05/04/2021	12/03/2021	Granted in full

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			and Parking) Regulations ,1997 and contrary to Section 35(5) of the Road Traffic Act, 1994 and Section 102 of the Road Traffic Act, 1961 within the District Court Area of Ennis.			
08/03/2021	FOI 041/21	Journalist	The total amount of donations (monetary value) to the court poor boxes in (i) 2019 and (ii) 2020, with a breakdown by court office, and information on the top 20 charities who benefitted from these donations in each of these years, and how much they received in each year.	06/04/2021	18/03/2021	Handled outside of the FOI Act
18/03/2021	FOI 044/21	Other	Records which relate to personnel records of staff working or who have worked within An Garda Síochána. Please supply the following information with regard to the three named persons listed below [names redacted]: a. the dates of entry into the Gardai, and b. if no longer serving the dates of leaving the Gardai, and c. the reason for leaving, and d. if still serving, in what capacity are they serving.	16/04/2021	23/03/2021	Refused in accordance with Section 11

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