

Mr Bruce Beckles

by email

Reference: FOI-2010-63

13 April 2010

Dear Mr Beckles,

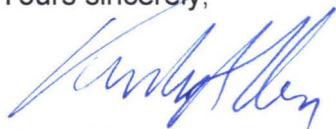
Your request was received on 22 March 2010 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You requested the University to 'select a random sample' of personnel files with a view to providing information about appeals against dismissal. The FOIA provides a general right of access to information held in recorded form by public authorities. It does not entitle a member of the public to require a public authority to perform a random sampling exercise or to apply other standard research techniques on manual records. Accordingly, your request will not be processed further.

As regards your previous request for information, which you mention, it is noted that you have already been provided with the information which you seek about appeals against dismissal in relation to the twelve month period from December 2008 and the date of your previous request.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of this decision, you should write to the Administrative Secretary, quoting the reference above, at the Secretariat, The Old Schools, Cambridge, CB2 1TN. If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the University. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,



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