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Dear Mr Gray

Re: Request for information from the Insolvency Service

Thank you for your email of 03 December 2019 in which you requested from the Insolvency Service:

the total number of Insolvency Practitioners in the UK and provide a list including telephone number and email.

Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

I can confirm the agency holds the information that you have requested, and that as of 31 December 2019 there were 1,587 Insolvency Practitioners (IPs) registered, however, please note this figure will fluctuate as licences will be registered, expire or be renewed.

Regarding your request for a list of all insolvency practitioners I can confirm that the agency holds this information however, it is exempt from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is therefore refused.

Section 21(1) provides that information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

The information that you have requested is available to you from the Insolvency Practitioner Directory which is kept up-to-date when the agency is notified of any changes to licences by either the IPs or their respective licensing bodies. The directory is available here: <https://www.gov.uk/find-an-insolvency-practitioner> and you can get a list view by clicking 'next' on the directory search form if no details are entered into the search fields.

If you are not satisfied with the response we have provided you and would like us to reconsider our decision by way of an internal review (IR), please contact our Information Governance team at foi@insolvency.gov.uk or by post at:

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You also have the right to contact the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) if you wish for them to investigate any complaint you may have in regards to our handling of your request. However, please note that the ICO is likely to expect an IR to have been completed in the first instance.

Kind regards

Laurie Judge
Information Rights Manager
The Insolvency Service

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