

16 October 2020

Internal Review Request

Please be advised that I would like to request a review of the Article 31 exemption applied to this Freedom of Information Request decision.

Please supply copies of all records and communications, notes etc between all parties and individuals in relation to the following FOI Requests –

- PFOI- St John insurance documents
- PFOI- St John insurance and legal advice

Response (view the original response here)

Article 31 exemption - Advice by the Bailiff, Deputy Bailiff or a Law Officer

The Internal Review concludes that the information is exempt under Article 31 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011.

Information is qualified exempt information if it is or relates to the provision of advice by the Bailiff, Deputy Bailiff or the Attorney General or the Solicitor General.

QE31 is a qualified exemption and therefore whether the disclosure of the advice would be in the interest of the public must be considered. Given the advice is from a Law Officer, there is an inherently high threshold to keep it confidential.

The Internal Review has concluded that in this instance, the public interest does not overcome the Law Officer privilege and the exemption is maintained.

