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Request

You asked us: "I would be grateful for any information you hold (including from records prior to 2022) relating to data breaches in respect of the following companies:

- 1. Hampton Knight Ltd
- 2. Matrix Diagnostics Ltd

Both companies operate in the drug testing/analysis field and I would be interested to know if either have previously been sanctioned by your office. If so, details of the date and nature of the breach, along with the type of information compromised and the sanction imposed would be much appreciated."

We received your request on 23 July 2024.

We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOIA).

Our response

Having conducted reasonable searches of our records, we can confirm that we hold information in the scope of your request.

You can access the information you have requested via our <u>datasets</u>. This information is located on line 622 of the below dataset:

Self-reported personal data breach cases Q4 2020/21 C About the ICO File (371.93K)

This was the only case we were able to locate in our datasets. We can also advise that the case itself is no longer held by the ICO as it will have been deleted in line with our retention policy. Due to this, all the information we hold is available via the above link.



As the information is already reasonably accessible to you, technically it is withheld under section 21 of the FOIA. Section 21 states that we don't need to provide you with a copy of information when you already have access to it.

We can also advise that The National Archives holds <u>archived versions</u> of our website. You may wish to review these as you may be able to locate information in older versions of our datasets.

The path to locate the datasets is the following: 'About the ICO'>'Our Information'>'Complaints and Concerns Datasets'.

Personal data breaches are entitled 'Self Reported Personal Data Breach Cases', however, it is our understanding that this format began in approximately 2022. Prior to this, they are included as part of a combined batch of information and were titled 'self reported incident'.

This concludes our response.

Next steps

You can ask us to review our response. Please let us know in writing if you want us to carry out a review. Please do so within 40 working days.

You can read a copy of our full <u>review procedure</u> on our website.

If we perform a review but you are still dissatisfied, you can complain to the ICO as regulator of the FOIA. This complaint will be handled just like a complaint made to the ICO about any other public authority.

You can <u>raise a complaint</u> through our website.

Your information

Our <u>privacy notice</u> explains what we do with the personal data you provide to us, and sets out <u>your rights</u>. Our <u>Retention and Disposal Policy</u> details how long we keep information.

Yours sincerely





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