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## **Fol request (Ref: 20180814-01)**

Thank you for your email of 14 August 2018 in which you make a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You have requested any documents held by Legal Services Board that:

- 'moved LSB/IPREG Ltd powers to cover Scotland or indeed Northern Ireland, and
- remove Scottish courts from addressing regulation of Patent/trade mark agents as prescribed in CDPA 1988 and Court of Session given powers to determine all IP matters'

in connection with the recommendation made by the LSB in 2014 to the Lord Chancellor for the making of an order under section 69 of the Legal Services Act 2007. That order was to modify the regulatory arrangements of the Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys and the Institute of Trade Mark Attorneys (carrying out their regulatory arrangements under IPReg) in respect of their functions as approved regulators, following their designation as licensing authorities under that Act.

We must advise you that, following a search of our records, we have established that the LSB does not hold the information requested. As previously advised, under the Legal Services Act 2007 the LSB is responsible for overseeing the regulation by approved regulators of authorised persons in England and Wales. Scotland and Northern Ireland are not within the LSB's remit.

IPReg may hold the information you are seeking. If you have not already done so, then you may wish to write to IPReg at: 5th Floor, Outer Temple, 222-225 Strand, London, WC2R 1BA and [info@ipreg.org.uk](mailto:info@ipreg.org.uk).

If you are dissatisfied with the way we have handled your request, you may request a review of our decision or make a complaint. Our complaint procedure is set out at:

[http://www.legalservicesboard.org.uk/can\\_we\\_help/lbs\\_policies\\_procedures/freedom\\_of\\_information/index.htm#Complaints](http://www.legalservicesboard.org.uk/can_we_help/lbs_policies_procedures/freedom_of_information/index.htm#Complaints).

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your complaint, you have the right to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please be aware that the Commissioner will be unlikely to make a decision until you have been through our internal complaints procedure first.

You can write to the Commissioner at:

FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution  
Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
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Internet: <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>