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Re: <u>Freedom of Information Request – Our File No.</u> Your File Reference -

Thank you for your request for information which was received in our office on September 16, 2009. Your request was processed when you provided the required \$5.00 fee which was received on October 16, 2009. You requested access to the following records:

1. All sole-sourced contracts, invoices and receipts of consultants for contracts with an initial value of \$25,000 or more

2. All contracts, invoices and receipts of consultants for contracts with an initial value of \$24,999 or less

I have made the following decision in response to your request for information made under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Legal Aid Ontario will be posting this information publicly on the LAO website within 90 days of the receipt of your completed request for access. As you know, under s. 22 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, where the head believes on reasonable grounds that the record or the information contained in the record will be published within ninety days after the request was made, a requester may be asked to wait for the public disclosure. In these circumstances, I am denying your specific request because the information you have requested will be made public.

I am responsible for this decision. You may ask for a review of this decision within 30 days of receiving this letter by writing to: The Information and Privacy Commission/Ontario, 80 Bloor Street West, Suite 1700, Toronto Ontario M5S 2V1, Telephone 1-800-387-0073.

If you decide to request a review of this decision, please provide the Commissioner's office with the following: the file number listed at the beginning of this letter; a copy of this decision letter; and a copy of the original request for information you sent to our institution.

In addition, you must send an appeal fee to the Commissioner's office. The appeal fee for other than personal information is \$25.00.

Yours truly,

Robert W. Ward President/CEO