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Freedom of Information request

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Request:

How many appeals to the Chancery Appeals Division from the county court have been rejected by the clerks after they have been received in time for an appeal by special delivery with the correct fee as listed on their website but nevertheless date stamped as out of time on 29th July 2015, so that the Chancery Division can reject the appeal application as out of time; and insist on an out of time application having to be completed before they will process the application.

Provide the date that the appeal from the county court that was date stamped as if received a day late, was apparently placed before the Chancery court in January 2016 and rejected for sending the increased fee demanded too late, when no increase is showing on their website. Please list the name of the judge who made this decision.

The link at the bottom of the page shows no increase in fee's.

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/courts/rcj-rolls-building/chancery-division/appeals>

Please also provide a copy of the code of conduct that prevents such unfairness and lack of due process and stops collusion with the lower courts and councils avoiding justice.

Response:

I write in response to your email of 8 April in which you have requested information about High Court Appeal Office Clerks. Your correspondence has been dealt with in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

The Legal Services Board (LSB) does not hold the information that you have requested. The LSB is responsible for overseeing the work of the legal services regulators in England and Wales, and we have no responsibilities in relation to the Courts. You may wish to make contact instead with HM Courts and Tribunals Service:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/hm-courts-and-tribunals-service>.

If you are dissatisfied with our response to your request for information, you have the right to ask for an internal review or to submit a complaint (see LSB's Freedom of information –

Complaints procedure:

http://www.legalservicesboard.org.uk/can_we_help/lb_policies_procedures/freedom_of_information/index.htm).