



OmbudsmanSA

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Dear Justice Action Team

Your complaint about the Department for Correctional Services (the department)

I refer to my provisional report dated 15 July 2016.

I have now concluded my investigation; and the purpose of this letter is to provide you with my final views about your complaint. They are set out in the enclosed report. I have sent a copy to the department.

I have also sent a copy of my report to the Minister for Correctional Services as required by section 25(3) of the *Ombudsman Act 1972*.

As you may be aware, the Ombudsman Act imposes certain obligations¹ on my office and others, including complainants, officers and members of the department, to keep information about my investigation confidential. However, if I consider that disclosure of that information is in the public interest, then I may authorise or require its disclosure.

In my opinion, there is a public interest in disclosure of my final reports under the Ombudsman Act. Therefore, I authorise disclosure of this report by you as you see fit. I advise that I may publish my report on the Ombudsman SA and AustLII websites. If you have any comment to make about that, please contact me within 14 days.

Yours sincerely

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1 November 2016

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¹ *Ombudsman Act 1972*, section 26.