

Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance Personal Information Collection Statement (For Criminal Legal Aid)

Legal Aid Department

Purpose of Collection

The Director of Legal Aid ("the Director") may make enquiries and collect information relating to your application for legal aid and, if applicable, the subsequent legally aided proceedings in order to fulfill the statutory duties pursuant to the Legal Aid Ordinance, Cap. 91 and the Legal Aid in Criminal Cases Rules, Cap. 221D (hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Ordinance"). Information provided by you and/or collected by the Director from any third party will be used for investigating and assessing your means and the merits of your case which includes the investigation and assessment of your means and the merits of your case in any future legal aid applications you may make as well as for the purpose of enabling the Director to discharge his duties and functions under the Ordinance. The provision of personal data by you is voluntary. If you do not provide the Director with sufficient information, the Director may not be able to process your application or to continue providing you with legal aid in your case.

Classes of Transferees

Personal data provided by you and/or collected by the Director from any third party may be disclosed to your family members, or such other relevant bodies or persons as the Director thinks fit including other government departments, public or statutory bodies, private organizations, or the Review Committee hearing your Legal Aid Appeal if appropriate for the purposes stated in paragraph 1 above and to persons who are requested by the Director to give reports and/or opinions or to perform the functions under the Ordinance.

Access to Personal Data

You have a right of access and correction with respect to personal data as provided for in Sections 18 and 22 and Principle 6 of Schedule 1 of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance. Your right of access includes the right to obtain a copy of your personal data held by this Department.

Enquiries

Enquiries concerning your personal data, including the making of a request for data access and correction, should be addressed to:

Personal Data Privacy Officer, Legal Aid Department, 27th Floor, Queensway Government Offices, 66 Queensway, Hong Kong. Telephone: 2867 3171