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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/01761

I write in connection with your request for information received on 3rd April. I note you seek access to the following information:

I would like to be provided with the following information on misconduct allegations against officers for the calendar years 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017.

1) The number of allegations made against officers of your force concerning negligent or bad faith non-disclosure of evidence or unused material to criminal defendants.

(You may record this for IPCC/IOPC statistics purposes as "Irregularity in relation to evidence/perjury".)

2) For each of these years, the number of those allegations that was:

- a) Unsubstantiated/Not Upheld**
- b) Substantiated/Upheld**
- c) Local Resolution**
- d) Discontinued/Dispensed/Disapplied**
- e) Withdrawn**

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore, in the public domain without caveat.

Response - Following enquiries within the Constabulary please see our response below;

The Professional Standards Department database has been searched for all allegations recorded under the category 'Irregularity in evidence' and a free text search for word 'disclosure' has been completed. Data provided relates to identified allegations regarding disclosure at any stage of the criminal process not just court and also include data relating to disclosure issues for driving convictions. Please see the table below;

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Number allegations and outcomes	1 Not upheld	0	3 1 x Case to answer for one officer but no action as had left police service 2 x Local Resolution	1 Not upheld	3 1 x On-going 1 x Local Resolution 1 x Withdrawn

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Hertfordshire Constabulary provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Hertfordshire Constabulary if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.