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Dear [REDACTED],

## Freedom of Information Request – FOI2024/00293

We are writing in response to your email received by Post Office Limited (“**Post Office**”) on 14 February 2024, which has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“**FOIA**”). We sincerely apologise for the delay in responding to your request.

In your email you have requested the information shown verbatim in bold below:

**“In a previous Fol response Ref [FOI2023/00558] you supplied detail on the amount of money paid to solicitors Womble Bond Dickinson (inc Bond Pearce and Bond Dickinson) for their work relating to the Group Litigation, remediation and the Horizon IT Public Inquiry from 2013-14 to 2022-23.**

**Could you provide me with figures for the amount of money paid to the following firms of solicitors for the same category of work, for the same time period?**

- 1. Herbert Smith Freehills**
- 2. Burgess Salmon and Fieldfisher**
- 3. KPMG**
- 4. Peters & Peters”**

We can confirm that Post Office Limited (“**POL**”) does hold the information you have requested.

Please see the information below showing the amount paid to the named law firms for their work relating to the Group Litigation, Financial Redress Scheme, and Horizon IT Public Inquiry. We have not included any work these law firms may have carried out on behalf of Post Office, that is not related to these activities. This total will include

the law firm's own fees, disbursements (i.e., fees paid to counsel and/or any other external expert or service provider in relation to the advice) and VAT.

- Herbert Smith Freehills: £107,865,242
- Peters and Peters: £33,312,372
- KPMG: £5,449,406

Please note, no payment was made to Burgess Salmon and Fieldfisher in the time period your request covers.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of this response, you do have a right to request an internal review. You can do this by writing to the address above within 40 working days of receipt of this response stating your reasons for your internal review request or alternatively, by emailing [information.rights@postoffice.co.uk](mailto:information.rights@postoffice.co.uk).

If, having requested an internal review by Post Office, you are still not satisfied with our response you also have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

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Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely,

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