To: BUDDEN, SUE Subject: IDRP Stage 2

From R T ,Spain.Ref IDRP Stage 2

Dear Miss Budden,

Thank you for your email of the 22 dec.2016. For the record I would like to know the constituents of the panel or person whom or who deliberated upon my stage II IDRP submission.

Thank you

Regards R

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From: SUE.BUDDEN@london-fire.gov.uk <SUE.BUDDEN@london-fire.gov.uk>

**Sent:** 16 January 2017 08:50

To:

Subject: RE: IDRP Stage 2

Dear Mr T

Thank you for your email of 12 January 2017.

The delegated authority to determine Stage 2 appeals under the IDRP procedure has been delegated by members of the Authority to Directors. As Director of Finance and Contractual Services I was nominated to consider your Stage 2 appeal and make a determination based on the submissions made in your application dated 14 October 2016. I was advised in this process by a specialist pensions lawyer from an external legal practice but the decision to confirm the Stage 1 IDRP outcome was made solely by me.

I trust this answers your question. Regards, Sue.

Sue Budden

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From: R

**Sent:** 03 February 2017 12:50

To: BUDDEN, SUE

**Subject:** further info concerning IDRP hearing

Dear Miss Budden, My Legal Adviser has been in hospital recently so apologies for the delay in sending this. Further to your email of the 16th Jan.2016,we would request the name & company of the individual from the "Specialist Pension Lawyers from an external legal practice" who advised you in my IDRP Stage 2 process, second submission. Thank you

regards R

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From: SUE.BUDDEN@london-fire.gov.uk <SUE.BUDDEN@london-fire.gov.uk>

**Sent:** 07 February 2017 09:58

To: r

Subject: RE: further info concerning IDRP hearing

Dear Mr T

Thank you for your email.

It is not entirely clear why you require the name or firm of the independent legal advisor who advised me in the Stage 2 IDRP appeal and how this is relevant to your complaint. In the circumstances I would be grateful if you could provide me with an explanation for this request.

Many thanks.

Sue.

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From: R T [mailto:

Sent: 09 February 2017 12:04

To: BUDDEN, SUE

Subject: further info concerning IDRP hearing

Dear Miss Budden,

in reply to your email to me dated 7th Feb.

The reason we require this information is to establish the legitimacy & pension management qualifications of the organisation/person who advised you in the hearing of my IDRP Stage 2 submission, for inclusion in my imminent submission to the Pension Ombudsman

Thank you, regards R T

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Date Wednesday 15 February 2017

Dear Mr T

Thank you for your email dated 9 February 2017 requesting further information about your IDRP Stage 2 submission.

Although I do not wish to appear unhelpful I am not satisfied that the details of who provided any advice to the Authority (or its legitimacy) has any direct relevance to your complaint to the Pension Ombudsman. Any correspondence or advice between legal advisors and the Authority is strictly confidential and may well be subject to legal professional privilege.

In any event I do not have authority from the legal advisors involved to release their details to you.

Yours faithfully,

Sue Budden

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