9 February 2016

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email of 31 January 2016. You made the following requests for information:

Is a parent allowed to record the interview of his/her child by a CAFCASS employee?

Please see below for our response.

Cafcass has no specific policy on this issue. It is a matter which should be discussed between the relevant service user and the practitioner. It is usually discouraged and should not happen without letting the practitioner know in advance. The practitioner will make a written record of the meeting and relevant information will be set out within the court report.

We hope that you feel your question has been answered effectively. If you are unhappy with the decisions made in relation to your request, you may ask for an internal review to be undertaken. If you are dissatisfied with the way the internal review is handled or with the final decision made at that review about the information released, you are free to contact the Information Commissioner’s office (www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk):

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