

REGISTER DESCRIPTION

Personal Data Act (523/1999) Section 10 and the EU's General Data Protection Regulation (679/2016)
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1. DATA CONTROLLER

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3. REGISTER NAME

Disciplinary Board's Supervision Register

4. PURPOSE OF PROCESSING PERSONAL DATA

The purpose of processing personal data is to carry out the supervision of lawyers, public legal aid attorneys and licensed legal counsels as part of the statutory duties of the Disciplinary Board and Supervision Unit and to provide recommendations in matters involving disputes about lawyer fees. Processing is based on a statutory obligation.

5. PERSONAL DATA IN THE REGISTER

Following data is stored in the supervision register: The name, professional title, mother tongue, address, telephone number, personal identification number, email address and information about the firm of lawyers, office or legal aid office of the subject of complaint, the name, address, telephone number and email of the complainant, informant or applicant in a fee dispute, and the name, professional title, address, telephone number and email address of the attorney are entered into the Disciplinary Register. Where the disciplinary matter is instituted and handled, with consent, through the e-services of the Finnish Bar Association and disciplinary board, the Finnish personal identification number of the informant/applicant or the person acting on their behalf is also stored in the register. Information about the status of pending cases, the date a decision is given, disciplinary measures imposed on the subject of complaint or the decision given in a dispute about lawyer fees, the Disciplinary Board's public summary of the decision or public decision given in a disciplinary matter and the public decisions given by a court of appeal and Supreme Court in disciplinary matters are entered in the Supervision Register. The names, position of persons in elected positions in the composition of the Disciplinary Board making the decision and information about appeals and about limitation are entered into the Supervision Register.

6. REGULAR DATA SOURCES

The information in the Supervision Register is obtained from the data subjects themselves, from the register of legal counsels maintained by the Legal Counsel Board, from courts or from other official data sources.

7. REGULAR TRANSFERS OF DATA

Under sections 7h and 7i (697/2004) of the Advocates Act, the information in the public diary, public summaries of decisions and public decisions remain public for as long as the information concerning a decision is entered into the public diary in accordance with section 7h. Under section 18 of the Licensed Legal Counsel Act (715/2011), information about the revocation of a licence is deleted from the public diary ten years after the Legal Counsel Board issued its decision.

8. TRANSFER OF DATA TO OUTSIDE OF THE EU OR EEA

Supervision Register data are not transferred to outside of the EU or EEA.

9. DATA STORAGE

Data are stored in accordance with the statutory storage times (sections 7h and 7i of the Advocate's Act and section 18 of the Licensed Legal Counsel Act). With regard to data concerning disciplinary and fee dispute matters, this means permanent storage.

10. REGISTER PROTECTION PRINCIPLES

The register databases and backup copies of them are properly protected. The hardware is located in controlled and locked premises to which unauthorised access is prevented. Technical and administrative arrangements ensure the data security and confidentiality, integrity and accessibility of the personal data in the register.

Personal data are processed only by those Finnish Bar Association employees whose job description includes data processing and by IT systems administrators authorised by the Association to manage assignments commissioned by the Finnish Bar Association.