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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 3 March 2023 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) requesting the following information:

"Can I check and request any information that shows a judicial review into war pension claims is or is not allowed and can or can't be challenged with solicitors / legal teams ?

If there is policy or law can it be sent out please"

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the MOD and I can confirm that no information is held in scope of your request.

Under Section 16 of the FOIA (Information and Assistance) you may wish to be aware that a Judicial Review is a basic legal concept rather than one relating specifically to war pensions. Put simply, it is a court process by which the lawfulness of a decision made by a public body can be challenged. As such, you may wish to seek independent legal advice about pursuing a Judicial Review. Further information about what a Judicial Review is can be found online at the following link – <https://www.judiciary.uk/how-the-law-works/judicial-review/>

If you wish to complain about this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow,

Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of the sender.

DBS (Secretariat)