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Dear Bethan,

In July this year you tabled the following Written Assembly Question (WAQ76957)

'Will the Counsel General confirm for the past five years: 1) how much the Welsh Government spends on legal advice and representation by external companies, and 2) how much of that expenditure went to legal companies that have their headquarters in Wales?'

My initial response indicated that further work would be undertaken to provide the data in the format you had requested. I am writing to confirm that information is now available and provided to you in the table below.

In developing this data I should note the information is only available in the format requested for the past three years. For completeness, the table also sets out expenditure with those firms who undertake the work and invoice from a Welsh based office even though their registered Headquarters may be outside of Wales.

Year	Total Legal spend	Welsh HQ spend	Welsh based office
2015/16	£3,353,881.72	£1,017,463.07	£2,532,498.87
2016/17	£3,457,462.96	£1,151,633.12	£2,285,936.24
2017/18	£3,630,168.94	£1,249,436.40	£1,990,612.34

Yours sincerely,

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