



Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012

2012 CHAPTER 10

PART 1

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Supplementary

34 Restriction on disclosure of other information

- (1) This section applies to information that is provided—
 - (a) to the Lord Chancellor, the Director, a court, a tribunal or any other person on whom functions are imposed or conferred by or under this Part, and
 - (b) in connection with the case of an individual seeking or receiving services provided under arrangements made for the purposes of this Part.
- (2) Such information must not be disclosed, subject to the exceptions in section 35.
- (3) A person who discloses information in contravention of this section is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.
- (4) It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under this section to prove that the person reasonably believed that the disclosure was lawful.
- (5) Proceedings for an offence under this section may not be brought without the consent of the Director of Public Prosecutions.
- (6) Nothing in this section applies to information if—
 - (a) it is provided to a person providing services under arrangements made for the purposes of this Part, and
 - (b) it is provided by or on behalf of an individual seeking or receiving the services.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

(7) Nothing in this section applies to information to which section 33 applies.