

To,

13th July, 2010

Central Public Information Officer,
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Respected Sir,

Sub: Application under Section 6 of the Right to Information Act, 2005

You are requested to please consider the following as an application under the Right to Information Act, 2005 and reply appropriately to the queries raised below. The queries in this application pertain to the **qualifications** of the *present* Chairperson of the Copyright Board.

1. Is the current Chairperson of the Copyright Board enrolled as an advocate with any of the State Bar Councils?
2. If the answer to the above question is 'Yes' then in that case please provide us with the following details of the current Chairperson's enrolment: (a) year of enrolment (b) enrolment number (c) Bar Council with which the Chairperson is enrolled.
3. If the answer to question (1) is 'Yes' then in that case please also provide us with details as to whether the current Chairperson has been a practicing advocate in any of the High Court of the countries. The details that we require are: (a) years of practice (b) Names of High Courts or lower courts (c) years during which suspension from rolls of bar council was sought due to full time employment with Government of India or State Govt..
4. What is the birth date of the current Chairperson of the Copyright Board? Please provide the answer in the following format – day/month/year.
5. Was the current Chairperson of the Copyright Board above the age of 62 years when he was appointed as the Chairperson of the Copyright Board?
6. Has the current Chairperson ever held a 'judicial office' as understood in terms of Article 217(2)(a) of the Constitution of India? If the answer to this question is 'Yes' then in that case please provide us with details of such appointments.
7. Has the current Chairperson of the Copyright Board ever been the judge of a High Court?

Further as provided under Section 6 (3) of the Right to Information Act, in case this application does not fall under your authority, I request you to transfer the same in the designated time (5 days) to the concerned authority and inform me of the same immediately.

To the best of my knowledge the information sought does not fall within the restrictions contained in

Section 8 and 9 of the Act and it pertains to your office.

A fee of Rs. 10 (Rupees Ten Only) has been deposited.

Warm Regards,

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