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LAW

There is no specific legislation for personal data protection in Fiji. Clause 24 of the Constitution (2013) provides the right to personal privacy, includes right to confidentiality of personal information.

Some sector-specific laws criminalise (or expose to other serious action) the unauthorised disclosure by others of personal / client information as follows:

- Banking Act 1995 by central bank personnel (s.27) and licensed financial institution personnel (s.71);
- Fiji Revenue and Customs Service Act 1998 by tax officials (s.52 (2));
- Medical and Dental Practitioner Act 2010 by statutory administrators of any data obtained in the course of their duties (s.126);
- Under the Rules of Professional Conduct and Practice (para 1.4) of the Legal Practitioners Act 2009 information received by legal practitioners from or on behalf of clients;
- Cybercrime Act 2021 defines "computer data" which is broad enough to capture personal data if it is stored in a computer system.

These laws, however, do not directly protect personal information.

DEFINITIONS

Definition of Personal Data

The only actionable rights available to citizens are in s.24 of the Constitution. This creates a right to "personal privacy", said to include:

- "confidentiality of their personal information;
- confidentiality of their communications; and
- respect for their private and family life".

These terms are not otherwise defined.

Definition of Sensitive Personal Data

None.

NATIONAL DATA PROTECTION AUTHORITY

None.

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REGISTRATION

None.

DATA PROTECTION OFFICERS

None.

COLLECTION & PROCESSING

No applicable laws.

TRANSFER

No applicable laws.

SECURITY

No applicable laws.

BREACH NOTIFICATION

No applicable laws.

ENFORCEMENT

No applicable laws.

ELECTRONIC MARKETING

No applicable laws.

ONLINE PRIVACY

No applicable laws.

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