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Dear Business Law Team

Submission - Publication of directors' residential addresses on the Companies Register

I believe it is critical that the Companies Office introduces a form of director ID which can be used to protect the privacy of some directors, in particular their addresses.

I have complained to the Companies Office in writing on this matter and they have told me there is nothing they can do to protect my address.

I am not on published electoral roll because of the nature of my work – I have dealt with serious offenders.

The Electoral Commission accepted a letter from me to this effect but the Companies Office would not.

My concern is not just for myself but for women who are being tracked by dangerous partners.

If they wish to protect themselves, they cannot run a business. This situation is unacceptable.

The Companies Office should have a process like that of the Electoral Commission – where people who can demonstrate a legitimate concern can have their identity protected.

As long as the Companies Office has their address – held securely – there should be no problem for authorities in finding them if it is necessary for Companies Office and similar matters.



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