

# RIK's Automated Court-Decision Anonymiser — Estonia's ML Tool for Redacting Personal Data from Nearly 80,000 Rulings

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Quality score: 80/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

## Summary

Estonia's RIK, working with language-tech firm TEXTA, built an NER tool that automatically redacts names, IDs and addresses from court rulings — used to anonymise and republish nearly 80,000 historic decisions, though no independent accuracy audit is public.

## Key dimensions

| Dimension                                  | Score |
|--------------------------------------------|-------|
| Evidence of impact / measured public value | 2/3   |
| Transparency, fairness & accountability    | 2/3   |
| Transferability / demonstrated replication | 3/3   |
| Scalability beyond pilot                   | 2/3   |
| Governance, capability & sustainability    | 3/3   |

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## Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-01

[Centre of Registers and Information Systems \(RIK\), Estonian Ministry of Justice and Digital Affairs, with TEXTA OÜ](#) — accessed 2026-08-01

[TEXTA case study – Anonymizing Identifying Information in Court Cases](#) — accessed 2026-08-01

[European Commission Interoperable Europe Portal – Automated anonymization of court decisions](#) — accessed 2026-08-01

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