

Mary Ann Jolley

From: Wayne Peters [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 29 June 2012 7:28 PM
To: Mary Ann Jolley
Subject: Re: 4 Corners, ABC

29th June 2012

Dear Mary Ann

I received your latest email this evening.

In my report to Bishop Manning, I referred to admissions made by John Farrell. John Farrell conceded that there had been instances of misconduct but deliberately would not give any details or say anything that would incriminate him or amount to an admission in the legal sense. He persisted in denying the charges in the case which had gone to court. However, we concluded that he should be removed from ministry. Bishop Manning accepted that advice and John Farrell was never given another appointment in the Church.

With best wishes,

Yours faithfully,

Monsignor W J Peters

— Original Message —

From: Mary Ann Jolley
To: 'Wayne Peters'
Sent: Friday, June 29, 2012 5:06 PM
Subject: RE: 4 Corners, ABC

Dear Monsignor Peters,

Thank you for your response. We'd really appreciate one final clarification. We understand that you wrote to your superior in Armidale referring to certain admissions made by John Farrell during that meeting on 3 September 1992. Can you confirm this?

Kind regards

Mary Ann

From: Wayne Peters [mailto:REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 29 June 2012 2:32 PM
To: Mary Ann Jolley
Subject: Re: 4 Corners, ABC

29th June, 2012

Dear Mary Ann

Your email awaited me on my return to Uralla this afternoon.

In regard to your first question, the answer is no.

In regard to your second question, the answer is also no.

With best wishes,

Yours faithfully,

Monsignor W J Peters

----- Original Message -----

From: Mary Ann Jolley

To: REDACTED

Cc: Geoff Thompson

Sent: Thursday, June 28, 2012 3:44 PM

Subject: 4 Corners, ABC

Dear Fr Peters

I'm a producer with the ABC's Four Corners program and am currently working on a story about the Catholic Church and how it deals with allegations of sexual abuse. The story will be broadcast this coming Monday night.

We are aware of a meeting you attended in Sydney on September 3, 1992 at which you were involved in interviewing John Farrell.

We have asked Cardinal George Pell about this meeting and he has told us no admissions were made by John Farrell during this meeting. We understand via the Cardinal that this concurs with your recollection.

There are just a couple points we want to clarify with you directly:

During the September 3, 1992 meeting did John Farrell say anything that you felt should be reported to the police?

Did you report anything he said to the police?

Kind regards,

Mary Ann

Mary Ann Jolley

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