



Anglican Church of Australia

Missionary Diocese of Tasmania

Mr L Daniels

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Dear Lou

I am writing to you in my capacity as the Director of Professional Standards with the Anglican Church in Tasmania.

You have been named as a respondent in a written complaint of past sexual misconduct with the church, recently lodged with the Bishop.

I am seeking your written response to the complaint, addressed to me, at the address given.

The complainant states that

- The events took place in either 1979 or 1980, when he was about 12 or 13 years of age.
- Both of you knew each other for some period of time before the incident of abuse occurred
- He was a member of CEBS, at St Martins in Chigwell
- He participated in various church activities in the Glenorchy area.
- He stayed with you one day, for about three hours, while his parents attended a wedding; this was at the REDACTED Street house where, understand, you resided.
- While sitting on a couch together, you fondled him by placing your hand inside his trousers.

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- This event continued for about 30 minutes
- Other people were present in the house, including one other adult.
- You asked the complainant to ask his parents if he could stay overnight, sharing a bed.
- You told him not to tell anyone what was planned because other people might think it is naughty
- He doesn't remember his parents picking him up that night. In part, this suggests that he may have stayed overnight at your place.
- You spoke with Bishop Phillip Newell about this matter after the boy's mother had met with the Bishop and informed him of the event.

The Diocese of Tasmania recognizes that this process is stressful for all concerned. You may ask for assistance in this process

In accordance with current protocols, the Bishop will appoint two Assessors to investigate this complaint and assess whether or not there is a case to answer.

Thank you for your assistance

Les Whittle
Director of Professional Standards
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