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Professor Ball  
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Dear Professor Ball

Re: MY CLIENT FATHER JOHN KEVIN O'DONNELL  
Matter: COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS  
Date: 14TH AUGUST 1995

I refer to our recent telephone communications and confirm that I represent Father John Kevin O'Donnell in relation to the above mentioned matter. My client has been charged with eleven counts of indecent assault which occurred between 1954 and 1972.

None of the assaults involve penetration or rape and are therefore accordingly at the lower end of the assault scale. Notwithstanding the time that has elapsed since the assaults and the fact that the assaults are not of a serious sexual nature it is likely that my client faces a term of imprisonment unless the court believes that imprisonment is inappropriate for a person of my clients age. My client is almost seventy-nine years of age and was born on the 22nd October 1916. As discussed by telephone you will have limited time to make any meaningful appraisals and I would be pleased if you would limit your enquiries and your opinion to the issue of the effect the imprisonment would have on my client given his age and his medical condition. My client has suffered from high blood pressure for the past fifteen years and requires constant medication to stabilise that condition.

I confirm my clients appointment for 4:00pm on the 31st August 1995. As the court would certainly give greater weight to your written submission in the event that you are able to see my client on more than one occasion I would greatly appreciate your

advice as to whether it would be possible for you to see my client even for a short time prior to the above mentioned appointment.

Thank you for your prompt assistance to date.

Yours faithfully

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**MARK G BRAMICH**