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Mr John Ellis

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Dear John,

I have been formally advised that you have recently commenced legal proceedings in the Supreme Court of New South Wales against various defendants.

I am sorry that the *Towards Healing* process was not able to deliver a more effective resolution of matters in dispute.

However, given your decision to exercise your right to commence legal proceedings against the Church Authority I must advise that your action has effectively terminated the *Towards Healing* process.

Accordingly, this letter is to advise you that I will put your case before the Professional Standards Resource Group when it next meets on 17/9/04 with a recommendation for closure. The file will then be formally closed.

John, I do trust that ultimately you will be able to achieve significant emotional peace in relation to what has understandably been for you, a very difficult issue.

Yours sincerely,

  
Michael Salmon

Director - Professional Standards Office