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Your Ref: PRM/CATH4300-9008237
Our Ref: ELL/114/04

Dear Sirs

**ELLIS v THE TRUSTEES OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH FOR THE
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY**

We refer to this matter and your letter of 18 December 2007. We are of course well aware of the various costs orders made in these proceedings.

At the moment the Plaintiff is extremely vulnerable emotionally and psychologically.

We have not forwarded your letter to our client, for the following specific reasons:

1. He is understandably traumatised by the conclusion of the litigation.
2. His health has deteriorated markedly as a consequence of the verdict of the court and prospects of self harm are evident.
3. Further, and of more significance, his 18 year old son died tragically in February this year. This has caused him significant and ongoing trauma. This event alone, not even taking into account the litigation between the parties, has been emotionally, physically and psychologically devastating for our client.

We would have genuine and grave concern for his welfare if the letter is sent to him, and we believe that the prospect of self harm would be greatly increased. In the circumstances, we would ask that you take instructions again from those who instruct you, taking into account the above relevant factors.

Please revert to us again in the new year.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'David Begg', written over a horizontal line.

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