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Dear John ,

I was aware that Ms. Ellis presently works for the Broken Bay Diocese. She is currently assisting the Bishop in his role as "Head of Agency" in relation to child protection matters. She had a friendly conversation with me when I was in court last month. I met her when I was the Director of Centacare some years ago. She was formerly an employee of CCER and would probably know how to access records about individuals who may have had an allegation made against them. (Do you want me to speak to the Broken Bay officials, off the record, about this matter?) As far as I know McGloin had no complaints against him while he was a priest of the Sydney Archdiocese. The matters on record, as far as I know, emerged when he became a priest of the Parramatta Diocese and when he was later helping out in the Broken Bay Diocese. I am aware that there were some allegations, brought forward in the late 1980's or early 1990's, against him concerning his conduct when he was a Seminarian. These complaints did not emerge until after he left the Archdiocese of Sydney. They did not lead to a conviction. I understand that the matter was deemed to be a case of "false memory" on the part of the alleged victim and was dismissed on that count. There were also other matters about which he was disciplined by the respective Bishops of Parramatta, but I was not briefed on those matters.

J.U.
John Usher
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