

15 April 2004

Ms Julie Gilbert

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Dear Ms Gilbert

I refer to the complaint made by you concerning Scott Volkens.

Today I received correspondence from the Director of Public Prosecutions Queensland, Ms Leanne Clare, that followed the forwarding of the full brief of evidence and original court depositions in relation to this matter to Mr Cowdery AM QC, the New South Wales Director of Public Prosecutions.

That correspondence included a copy of advice provided by Mr Cowdery to Ms Clare. The significant aspects of Mr Cowdery's advice in that regard are as follows:

- The original decision to discontinue the prosecution of earlier charges was correct and that no fresh prosecution was appropriate;
- The new evidence does not justify re-charging Mr Volkens in respect of any of the original allegations;
- There are no reasonable prospects for a conviction in respect of any new allegations; and
- There are no reasonable prospects for a conviction in respect of any offence.

Given that advice, I have decided that no additional charges or re-charging of Mr Volkens by the Queensland Police Service, in respect of this matter is appropriate.

Ms Clare has also advised me that she is prepared to discuss this matter with you if you so wish. Should that be the case it is requested that you contact Ms Sonia Muller on the following number ~REDACTED

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Should you require any further information from the Queensland Police Service in relation to this matter please contact Detective Inspector Michael Condon on REDACTED

For your information, I have enclosed a copy of a Media Release distributed after you were advised of the decision not to prosecute Mr Volker's earlier today.

Yours sincerely

R ATKINSON
COMMISSIONER