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I refer for your request for advice in relation to the possibility of charges against Robert Hawkes involving LH [REDACTED]

On one information, Hawkes was charged with 5 counts of sexual offending against 2 boys (REDACTED) and on another information he was charged with 4 counts of sexual offending against 4 boys (REDACTED) and LH [REDACTED].

He pleaded guilty in 1994 in relation to the first information to 4 counts (REDACTED) and guilty in relation to the second information to 2 counts (REDACTED).

As a result of those pleas, the charges relating to the other boys were not proceeded with.

On the basis of the above, I do not consider that it would be appropriate to now lay charges against Robert Hawkes concerning LH [REDACTED]. Importantly, the past and present disclosures by LH [REDACTED] concerning Robert Hawkes relate primarily to his presence when photographs were taken at Brian Perkins' house. This was indeed the basis of the 1994 charge against Robert Hawkes concerning LH [REDACTED].

Yours faithfully

P J L ROFE QC  
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Per [REDACTED]

*Seen + approved.*

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