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Messrs Nicol Robinson Halletts  
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Dear Sirs,

**RE: THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF GRAFTON - NORTH COAST CHILDRENS HOME**

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 27 April 2006 together with the enclosed signed authorities.

We are instructed by our client that a search of archival material has been undertaken in relation to North Coast Childrens' Home. No files, papers, records and/or other material are held by the Diocese in relation to your named clients other than recent correspondence from and to Mr. Richard Campion. We would also mention that North Coast Childrens' Home Inc. is in fact an incorporated association under the New South Wales Associations Incorporation Act 1984 and is completely independent of the Anglican Diocese of Grafton.

With reference to your fax dated 10 March 2006 we note that you refer to the Corporate Trustees of the Diocese of Grafton. The Corporate Trustees of the Diocese of Grafton is a statutory corporation constituted pursuant to section 5 of the Anglican Church of Australia Trust Property Act 1917 for the purpose of holding property for the use, benefit or purposes of the Anglican Church in the Diocese. We cannot see any basis on which such Corporate Body could be held liable in Tort for the actions of any person or persons at The North Coast Children's Home or otherwise unrelated to property matters.

Yours faithfully,  
**FOOTT, LAW & CO.**

Per:

Peter Roland