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**Subject:** Re: re:Tennis NSW investigation(confidential)

Dear

Thank you for your email.

It would be helpful to me if I could see copies of the faxes  and sent to you re   
 Could you pls fax to me asap. (see fax number below).

Also you mentioned in your ealier email that you had further information to give me at a later stage. Do you wish to do that now?

I have seen most people now, including Noel, and hope to give my report to TNSW next week. I understand the Board/Executive will then review my report and decide what, if any action, will follow.

Therefore if you have anything further then I will need it asap.

I look forward to receiving those faxes and/or further info if you wish. Thank you once again.

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>>> REDACTED 08/31 5:40 pm >>>  
 Dear Maria Shand,

In regard to further details regarding Questions 9&10 , I hereby expand further.

You asked me :

1) Exactly what [BXJ] s parents told you and whether that was [BxB] or [REDACTED]?

ans: It was [BxB] who first broached the subject of Noel to myself.

[BXJ] 's mother initially told me that "Noel had tried to sexually abuse [BXJ] and had come close but as far as they (referring to [BxB] and [REDACTED] knew at this point, he wasn't successful." She also said "it was obviously a set up and believed it to be a planned action by Noel" she then proceeded to tell me that "Noel had tried to make things extremely difficult for [BXJ] and was trying to ruin her reputation, by spreading vicious rumours about [BXJ] ."She also told me that Noel still tries to have physical contact with [BXJ] even though they have made it clear that he is not wanted around their daughter. I remember a phrase that [BxB] used and it was "he is a real piece of work !"referring to Noel. This was how my first initial talks with [BxB] went.

Following the first few conversations more and more things came out as [BXJ] was opening up more and more to her parents and then they likewise relayed more to me.

I remember a conversation at Tennisworld approx.. a few weeks later when [REDACTED] joined in some of our lessons. This time my husband, myself and our son were present. [REDACTED] shared with us that he was irate about the Noel situation. He had no remorse for Noel and he was willing to do everything to make sure Noel is exposed.

In some further conversations the parents told me that when [BXJ] was getting lessons they had no clue as to what was going on at the time. They said they were shocked when [BXJ] told them what was going on. They said [BXJ] told them what Noel would talk about in lessons, often provoking [BXJ] to tell him details of her private life with boyfriends etc.. They said he used to think it was funny but [BXJ] never gave him the satisfaction as she thought it was none of his business. We all agreed that Noel was very smart in the way he worked, so that he fooled the people around him. [BxB] used to say to me well "He picked the wrong one with [BXJ] referring that [BXJ] wasn't going to keep her mouth shut and we believed that this is why he tried to cover himself by dirtying [BXJ] 's name as he was afraid of her telling people.

Following these conversations in Australia [BxB] wrote to me three times in Holland, and at some point in each letter she gave me updates on the Noel topic.

These letters also contain new information each time but also back up what I have just told you in prior meetings with each other in Australia. They also contain quotes from [BxB] like-"smear campaign" referring to Noel trying damage [BXJ] 's name.

Our "mutual problem" this was how [BxB] referred about Noel to me.

I have each of these original letters from [BxB] .

2) Exactly what [BXJ] told you i.e. : specifics of what she said happened to her, the dates and times of day the incidents occurred, and where?

As far as I can recall, [BXJ] didn't really tell me much detailed information directly as her parents relayed the specifics of what happened. The first few times [BxB] told me details they were out of [BXJ] 's earshot. After this [BXJ] would be present in the background to conversations but was reluctant and presumably unable to talk to me directly at this point. [BXJ] just used to nod and confirm what her parents were telling me.

I have to say at this point when I first began coaching [BXJ] it took quite a while to get her to open up. As her mother did most of the talking I didn't press her to talk on personal topics as I could see she was suffering and was trying to deal with a lot of emotions inside. It took me several weeks to get [BXJ] to communicate to me and months to get her to trust me. She was very reluctant to talk about anything personal. When I saw how [BXJ] was I knew something was not right and kept probing for more answers and that was how the Noel conversations began. [BxB] said Noel had done a lot of damage to [BXJ] . For these reasons I believed it was easier for [BXJ] to speak to me indirectly via her mum, even though she was often beside her mum when we talked of personal details. Later in October/November [BXJ] stayed with my husband and I. [BXJ] was not able to talk freely of

Noel to me but I had heard from her mum that Amanda Dingwell had been able to reach [BXJ] more on the subject of Noel. I did begin a conversation after she had been with us for a few weeks regarding Noel. We didn't talk specifics of what happened to her with Noel but we talked about what we should do about Noel. I said to her we really need to do something about the Noel issue. She agreed. I said I don't think he should get away with what he has done. I could see at this point [BXJ] just wanted to curl up and forget this man. I discussed more about how Noel worked and how he tried to befriend you and gain his trust and how he fooled so many people. I told her that I wanted to take a stand and I thought she should too. [BXJ] was hurting too much at this point to talk of further details. I basically got all the anger and fear from [BXJ] through her emotions and actions on the court. When [BXJ] left I told her that she should think about what she wants to do about Noel and to keep in touch with me.

It is very hard for me to say more at this stage as I have had some conversations more recently in the last few weeks where we have all realised that this problem is not going away and needs to be resolved and action needs to be taken and is being taken. Therefore we have shared more personal and specific details but I'm not sure if this is the time frame you want.

Regarding myself I am currently making decisions on legal advice as you can imagine it is not easy being based in [REDACTED]. I will let you know.

I was wondering what decisions you are considering at this point based on the information at the moment. I'm not sure if I'll be able to assist you with my details before September 1st, 1999 as things take longer from over here.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards [BXD]