



# The Salvation Army

AUSTRALIA EASTERN TERRITORY

Office of the Territorial Commander

4<sup>th</sup> December, 2000

Reverend L A Wilson

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Dear Reverend Wilson,

I refer to your letter of 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2000.

I have made inquiries from our lawyers and they had advised me that the matter is listed for mention only on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2000 and your attendance on that date is not required.

As you may know The Salvation Army agreed to settle the proceedings brought by EP prior to your trial and The Salvation Army is presently attempting to recover the amount of the settlement from our insurers.

Following your trial our lawyers wrote to the Plaintiff's solicitors asking that the proceedings commenced by FV be discontinued on the basis that his evidence was discredited at your trial. That request was refused and the same lawyers indicated they would bring proceedings on behalf of FR and ET which they have done. Currently our lawyers advise that the necessary evidence in each case has not yet been filed, and when it is our lawyers will be reviewing it and making recommendations to us. At that time we will also review the question of assisting you in the defence of the proceedings.

We are conscious of your personal circumstances and when the claimant's evidence is put on we will be meeting with our lawyers and will give consideration to your situation at that time.

So far as your own legal expenses are concerned, I note that The Salvation Army gave you assistance by meeting legal fees in relation to the committal proceedings. I understand that after that time you had legal aid. We are also aware from the information you have provided of significant personal costs to yourself in this matter.

We are not, Laurie, unmindful of your situation and when further clarification of the legal processes are known we will consider our response to you.

Yours sincerely,

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