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Dear Mr Sapwell,

CHARLES ALLAN SMITH

We refer to our discussions and correspondence regarding our communications with Dunhill Madden Butler.

Tony van Merwyk spoke to Malcolm Davies of Dunhill Madden Butler with regard to the abovementioned matter today.

Mr Davies advised that two former officers of the Salvation Army were being prosecuted before New South Wales courts. The charges against them include charges relating to the sexual abuse of children in the care of the Army in New South Wales in the 1970s. At this stage no civil proceedings have been taken by these alleged victims.

Given that the Army has acknowledged that it was aware of Mr Smith's background at the time the offences were committed and the fact that Mr Dalzeil stated to the press that the Army would not defend any compensation claims made by his victims, we believe that it is important that the Army take a unified approach to these claims. We feel your legal interests would be best served by the full exchange of information between ourselves and Dunhill Madden Butler.

Accordingly we recommend that we forward copies of our opinions to Dunhill Madden Butler and that the practice is reciprocated by that firm.

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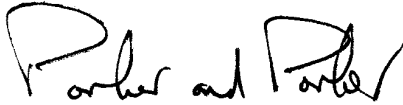
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Could we please have your instructions in this regard.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully
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Tony van Merwyk
Partner

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