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Dear Madam

Our Clients: Mr & Mrs Ferguson
the next-of-kin of Raychel Ferguson (Deceased)

With reference to our above named clients we would be very much obliged if you would kindly note that we will now be acting on their behalf in connection with all matters with regard to the death of their daughter, Raychel.

One of the matters that have to be dealt with is the complaint that is before you which has already been lodged by our clients.

As we are sure you are no doubt aware that a Public Inquiry has been announced into the death of Raychel to be Chaired by Mr John O'Hara QC. The first Preliminary Hearing in respect of the matter will be on the 3rd and 4th of February 2005 and the further substantive Hearings should take place later this year.

You may also be aware that we are obliged, as a matter of law, to produce all our files and documents and all information that we have pertaining to Raychel's death to the Tribunal.

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...../to the Tribunal.

In the circumstances we now write to you on our clients' behalf, in order that we may assist the Tribunal, to request that you forward to us a copy of the entirety of your file in relation to the complaint made by our clients.

We would be obliged if you would kindly copy all documentation and correspondence on your file in relation to the matter requested so that we may then in turn forward same to the Chairman of the Tribunal.

In specific reference to the "complaint" before you please note that once we have examined all the documentation in your possession and taking into consideration the fact that a Public Inquiry will now take place, we shall then advise our clients as to how to proceed further with their complaint.

It would also be of great help and assistance to us (and no doubt the Tribunal in due course) if you would also forward to us any literature that you give out to members of the public who wish to make a complaint to show your procedures and exactly what happens. We feel that this would be extremely helpful to our clients, the Tribunal and us.

We would further add should you have any query at all in respect of the above or seek clarification on any matter at all set out would you please telephone the writer directly.

In anticipation of same we thank you for your assistance.

Yours faithfully



DESMOND J DOHERTY
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