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Dear Sirs

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I was the reviewing lawyer in the case of [REDACTED] that was dealt with recently at Coventry Magistrates' Court.

I have been shown your letter of 20 December 2006 written under the Defamation Protocol and I have re-read my correspondence with the police to which you have drawn attention. I accept that the correspondence contains statements which reflect poorly on the reputation of your client and that those statements should not have been made.

I would like to offer my apology to your client for the comments and for any offence caused. I am happy to assure you and your client that I will not repeat the comments generally or, in particular, in any future dealing with Geoffrey Miller Solicitors in relation to proceedings in the Coventry area.

Yours faithfully

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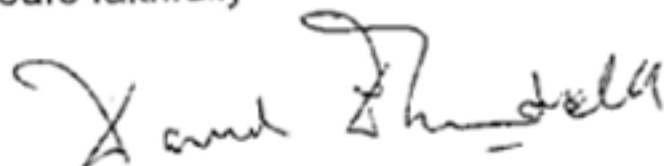
I refer to your letter of 20 December 2006 written under the Defamation Protocol.

On behalf of the Crown Prosecution Service, I would like to apologise to your client for the inappropriate comments made by Mark Rees, Senior Crown Prosecutor, in correspondence with the West Midlands Police. Those comments were not justified and fall below the high standard we expect of our staff.

I am pleased that Mr Rees has readily acknowledged that he should not have made the comments and I enclose a letter from him to this effect. As requested, I am raising a cheque for £500 payable in your favour as a contribution towards your costs. I anticipate you will receive the cheque later this week.

I hope that this will be an end to the matter.

Yours faithfully



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