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**Update regarding my defamation case against John Pesutto.**

The case is with my lawyers who have already issued two concerns notices to John Pesutto.

These notices are a formal prerequisite to proceedings.

The notices are intended to give Mr Pesutto 28 days to make an offer of amends in respect of the defamatory statements and imputations he published about me.

Mr Pesutto has not at this stage withdrawn them or apologised to me. He has not at any time exonerated me as he promised to do in exchange for my agreement to the original 9-month suspension.

In preparation for proceedings, my lawyers have been gathering a substantial amount of evidence from various witnesses.

They have asked Mr Pesutto and others who are likely to be subpoenaed to retain and not destroy certain documents and messages.

My lawyers are also in the process of serving a third notice to Mr Pesutto for more defamatory statements he has published about me.

My family and I remain deeply upset and distressed by Mr Pesutto's conduct and the disgraceful campaign he ran to expel me from the Parliamentary Liberal Party.

**Kind Regards,**

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