

Ms Daryl S. [redacted],
[redacted],
[redacted],
[redacted].

Tuesday 23rd October 2012

Dear Ms Bush,

As promised, the proof that I was unlawfully transferred and detained at Manning Star Reform School on the 17-12-1947.

I have put them in order of date as I think they would be easier to follow and read.

I have highlighted parts of exhibits, which I think should interest the committee.

Now you can understand why I blame the Government for my life of crime, for I learnt crime at a young age in a place I should not have been in, with the authorities consent.

I escaped the home after I learnt about stealing cars, break and entering etc, make sure I go to gaol and more about crime. At least I was safe in gaol from assaults.

I shall close now, I look forward to your reply.

Yours Respectfully,
Daryl Suckling.

re Daryl Suckling

According to A + D
for week ending 17.12.47
from Morning Star Training
Farm Haver Park Morriston
the above named wand
was admitted on 17.12.47

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8/1/47

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"MORNING STAR" BOYS' HOME
MORNINGTON
VICTORIA

15-1-48.



The Secretary,
Children's Welfare Dept.
Melbourne.

Dear Sir,

re Daryl Suckling.

The above lad was brought to this Home on 17-12-47 and I was of the opinion that he had been committed here and placed him on the A. & D. returns. Fr Fabian did not make the position clear to me.

Although he seems quite pleased to remain here, it is really starting a precedent for future trouble makers. This type of boy should not be sent to Morning Star for reasons both educational and moral.

As both Bayswater and Geelong have refused to admit him and his mother can do nothing with him the only solution appears to leave him here.

Should this course of action be adopted we will make every effort to do something with this lad.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Glead

Jerry Hette Jr.

It would appear that the court adjourned the case for 12 weeks on the understanding that boy was returning to Pochua Hall and would be under Fr Fabian's supervision. A report by Fr Fabian is to made to court at end of 12 weeks by which Fr Fabian transfer boy to Morning Star without recommending that approval be obtained for his transfer to here. Is the arrange a temporary one. In view of the boys age does Fr Fabian consider the placement suitable even as a matter of expediency what arrange will be made for boys schooling.



TEL. HAW. 3578

"Padua Hall"
Boys' Hostel
19 a Beckett Street,
New, C. I.
24/1/1948

Dear Sir,

Re Daryl Suckling:

I have received your message per Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] about this lad.

It appears that a grave misunderstanding has arisen between Fr. [REDACTED] and myself as to the position of the lad at Morning Star. My idea in sending the lad there was because of ~~the~~ the school holidays, and our inability to keep an eye him here during the whole day.

My intention after the holidays was to give the lad another chance at school here, but unfortunately he has been expelled from two schools in the district and it will be very difficult to get a school to take him.

Considering the lad's base history, our experiences with the lad here, and the fact that Fr. Felix is willing to take him in hand, even to the extent of his schooling, ~~it~~ I think the best would be achieved by leaving the lad at Morning Star, and recommend that he be declared a reformatory lad. The lad's mother agrees with this proposal.

Yours faithfully,

F. Felix Gibson
Supt.

In view of the lad's age it does not appear to be legally possible to transfer him to Dept for Reg Schools. As he was nominally on probation to his mother whilst at Padua Hall, though actually under Dr Fabian's supervision, I think the only course possible with this very difficult child is to allow previous arrangements to existing probation substituting Dr Felia for Dr Fabian's ^{supervision} there. The case could be reviewed when my affairs are 12 yrs on 11/4/48 as to desirability of transfer to Reg Schools

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Mr Hodgens

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The Secretary
Children's Welfare Dept.,
MELBOURNE

Dear Sir,

re Daryl Suckling b. 11. 4. 36

Mrs. Suckling resumed control of this lad yesterday.

I was not able to consult you, as we are cut off from the city on account of broken Telephone wires. As I had to make a decision rather promptly, I concluded that the matter would be in order, as we have no committal papers concerning the boy.

Mrs. Suckling intends to leave for Queensland next Sunday. She intends to give the boy a fresh start there and send him to school. He is only twelve and a half years old.

Personally I feel that her plans have a lot in their favour and may prove advantageous to the boy.

Yours faithfully,

Rev. Xavier Quinn

Xavier Quinn
Superintendent.

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I recommend that DARYL FRANK
SUCKLING within named be transferred
to the Reformatory School for Roman
Catholic Boys at Morning Star
Training Farm, Hannan Park,
Mornington.

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C. W. DePina
2/12/51

APPROVED

6 MAR 1951

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CHIEF SECRETARY

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