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Dear Lucy

Irene Spalletti and Alexander Walker

Thank you for your letter dated 10 January 2025. I apologise for the delay in responding but, as your client will be aware, my client was previously prohibited from contacting your client through anyone other than Mr Pennisi until very recently. The bail conditions have now been amended so that I can communicate with you.

I will forward to you all of the correspondence that I have sent to Ms Spalletti (via Mr Pennisi) since I was instructed in November 2024, together with all of the documents arising from your client's unnecessary application for a non-molestation order and an occupation order, which was resolved by consent at a hearing on 26 November 2024. Regrettably your client forced my client to incur the costs of that hearing when (despite your client's application being wholly without merit), in an attempt to resolve matters, my client had offered a full suite of non-molestation undertakings in advance.

As you will see from the correspondence, our clients' relationship ended in mid-July 2024. Since then, my client has tried his very best to engage constructively with your client to resolve the matters arising from their separation, including in relation to the sale of their joint property, 92 Ollerton Road. Unfortunately, your client has not engaged substantively and until recently has ignored all of my correspondence about this, leaving my client with no choice but to send a letter before action notifying your client of his intention to commence TOLATA proceedings in the event of her ongoing failure to cooperate. He asked for a response by no later than 13 January 2025, having given your client a full month to respond to the letter before action and in circumstances where he has repeatedly invited your client to collaborate in relation to the property since last summer.

It is disappointing that it took until 15 January 2025 for my client to receive any response to his reasonable and practical proposals in respect of 92 Ollerton Road. I attach a letter that I received directly from your client in which she appears to suggest that, despite having previously indicated otherwise, she would be content: (i) for my client to buy her out of her share of the property; or (ii) for the house to be sold as soon as possible.

Since you are now instructed, I am not able to correspond with your client directly in relation to these proposals. Notwithstanding your client's unacceptably aggressive and hostile approach to matters, as you will see from my previous correspondence, my client is committed to resolving matters swiftly and amicably without the involvement of the court. However, it is now seven months since our clients separated and no progress has been made. My client is currently living between a friend's house and his mother's house. His current living situation is not sustainable and so the financial matters arising from our clients' separation do need to be resolved forthwith. Please, therefore, let me have your client's detailed proposals in relation to 92 Ollerton Road by no later than 4pm on Friday 24 January 2025.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Sarah Walker', with a horizontal line underneath.

SARAH WALKER

Enc.