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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

RE: MR BARRIE GOLDSMITH

I have been asked by Mr Barrie Goldsmith, Senior Partner of Goldsmith Lawyers, to provide him a reference.

I am a practicing Barrister, having been admitted to the Supreme Court of NSW, on 8 February 1982. I have been a Senior Counsel since 2003.

I have known Mr Barrie Goldsmith in a professional capacity for approximately five years.

During that period of time I have received instructions from Mr Goldsmith to appear on behalf of his clients in litigation matters. I have also been retained by parties, in particular, the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority, against whom Mr Goldsmith's clients have conducted litigation. The two primary areas where I have conducted cases for and against Mr Goldsmith's clients are defamation cases and actions related to the conduct of general insurers. One matter involved a seven day hearing in the Administrative Appeals Tribunal where Mr Goldsmith personally appeared for the applicant. I appeared for the respondent.

I have found Mr Goldsmith to be a competent and courteous solicitor who acts tenaciously in the interests of his clients.

Yours faithfully.

J S WHEELHOUSE SC