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November 17, 1987

Mr. Charles Balcom P. O. Box 951 Middleton, Annapolis Co. Nova Scotia BOS 1P0

Dear Mr. Balcom:

Thank you for your letter, directed to George MacDonald, one of our Commission counsel, which was received by this office on November 12, 1987.

As you may know, the Terms of Reference of the Royal Commission on the Donald Marshall, Jr., Prosecution are to inquire into the circumstances which led to the wrongful conviction of Mr. Marshall and to question whether the administration of criminal justice in Nova Scotia was at all to blame in this instance. We hope to make recommendations to Government which will ensure that such a situation will not occur again. I have read your submission and have come to the conclusion that, unfortunately, there is nothing that we can do to help you. While our mandate is quite broad, it does not appear to me to be broad enough to encompass your particular situation. However, we do appreciate hearing from members of the public and hope that this Royal Commission will answer some of the broader questions relating to the administration of justice which might affect individuals in Nova Scotia.

Once again, thank you for your interest in the Royal Commission.

Yours very truly,

Susan M. Ashley, Commission Executive Secretary

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