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of the Affidavit
of CATHERINE ROSS
sworn NOVEMBER, 19 94
A Commissioner, etc.



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re. Catherine Ross

Dear Katrina,

I've known Catherine for nearly 11 years, initially meeting her when I was living in Ottawa. Although I'm now back in the UK, I've kept in touch with her by letter and by telephone. Throughout this year, I've spoken to her normally at intervals of 6-8 weeks. Since September, when she split up with Bill, this frequency has increased to be more or less every week.

In the time that I've known her, Cathy has always shown herself to be a responsible adult and loving mother. I've been aware that the marriage has had problems over the last few years, and can testify to the determination and the hard work which Cathy has put in to trying to keep things together. At no time in our friendship has Cathy ever shown signs of alcohol or drug dependency, although Bill referred to these things when he called me back in September. At that time, he explained that he was fighting for custody of the two children, and wanted to know whether I'd ever suspected Cathy of being an alcoholic or (to use his phrase) a moneygrabber. On the contrary, in the time that I've known her, Cathy has always done the best she can, with limited resources. We shared an apartment together in Ottawa for several months, and split all the costs equally, except for the rent which was split proportionate to our respective salaries. At the same time, she was paying off a loan incurred by her mother, which her mum (due to ill health) was unable to pay. We were together at a time when I myself was suffering from continued ill health; during this period, Cathy put a lot of time and effort into looking after me.

Since Cathy and Bill split, I've been in constant communication with Cathy, and am aware of the financial problems she's facing since Bill stopped paying any child support. In this time, her main concern has been that the children don't suffer from any lack. In particular, she became quite upset when it seemed that she wouldn't have money for Khierslyn's birthday present. She has also been very concerned about what she says is the state of the two children whenever they have been with Bill for the weekend. Troubles that have affected only her (such as removal of items from the house), she seems to be able to shrug off. This behaviour is quite consistent for the woman I know Cathy to be.

I've only visited the family a couple of times over the last four years or so (the last time in early 1993), and so I cannot make many comments about the children and their environment. I can only say that I found the two girls to be wonderfully bright and lively, a credit to their parents. I seem to recall that Bill spent a lot of time working away from home at that time, and would conclude that most of the responsibility of the children's upbringing fell to Cathy.

I hope that this information can be of some use to you.

Your's faithfully,

