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| **Our Ref:**  | Phone: Fax:  |

**By Email:**

Dear

**Compulsory Schooling Order**

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|  | **Born on:**  |

I confirm I appeared on your behalf on a duty basis in the NSW, on

 before Children’s Court Magistrate .

**What You Told Me**

You told me that you had been having a lot of trouble getting to go to school because of the following:

You instructed me that

**What I Told You**

I explained to you that you were before the Court because your , had not been attending enough school and because of this, the Department of Education applied for a Compulsory Schooling Order against you.

I explained to you that you already have a legal obligation to get to school each day unless is unwell and provide a medical certificate to the school within 7 days of being unwell.

I advised you that the Department of Education can prosecute you in the Local Court for not taking to school with or without a schooling order. If they prosecute you without an order you can be fined up to 25 penalty units ($2,750.00) and with an order up to 100 penalty units ($11,000.00).

I advised you that you could tell the Court that you could agree or not agree with an order being made against you. I explained to you that the Court was to be satisfied that you were doing enough to ensure was going to school and it was my advice that it was that an order would be made against you.

I advised you that you would need to think of some other strategies to ensure that

 went to school (e.g. taking away TV, computer or other privileges) to encourage to go to school.

The Department also asked you to give some undertakings to the Court about things that you will and will not do in the future to ensure attends school. I explained to you that undertakings are promises to the Court and it is very important that you keep these promises. If you don’t keep these promises and the Department prosecutes you, then the Court may look at whether you have kept these promises in deciding how much to fine you.

You have promised to do the following:

You need to keep these promises until is old enough not to attend school anymore.

**What Happened in Court**

When your matter was called into Court, appeared on behalf of the Department of Education. I appeared on your behalf.

I told Magistrate that you agreed to a Final Compulsory Schooling Order being made against you. Magistrate made a Final Compulsory Order against you.

**This means that you must ensure**  **goes to school every day unless you provide a medical certificate to the school within 7 days.**

If you have any questions please contact me on .

Yours sincerely

**Solicitor**