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To: sentencingcouncil
Subject: SAY NO TO "Good character" references

Hi Sentencing council,

"good character" references in the cases of child sexual abuse, adult sexual, fraud and domestic violence should not be allowed. It undermines & diminishes survivors of abuse and the harm that abuse has caused them and actively contributes to their retraumatization in the court room.

I believe that if someone is willing to and actively chooses to harm a human with these horrific results no good deed should lower their sentence no one of truly good character would make these decisions to traumatize another person.

#yourefrenceaintrelevant

In softness & with love,
Tess Royale Clancy

(They/them)

Settler on Unceded Gadigal Land

Always was & Always will be Aboriginal Land

psLong live the Resistance ps

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