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Hi

Please consider the removal of good character references with respect to child sexual abuse cases, given the highly manipulative nature of offenders when it comes to obtaining the trust of adults to gain unsupervised access to minors. I question whether this is fit for purpose and how it may negatively impact victim survivors.

Thanks  
Haley