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Madam

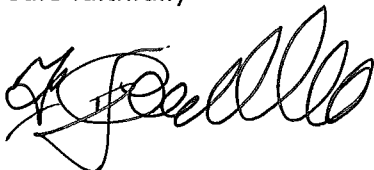
My attention as General Legal Counsel to The University of Auckland has been drawn to a statement published by you under the heading "Cartwright Enquiry" that a Professor of History at The University of Auckland is "a self proclaimed medical historian."

Linda Bryder was awarded a DPhil from The University of Oxford in the history of medicine in 1985. She then founded the Oxford University Press journal "Social History of Medicine" in 1988. In addition to serving on numerous editorial boards, Professor Bryder was in September elected as President of the Australian and New Zealand Society of the History of Medicine, having acted as vice-president for the previous two years. Her appointment as Professor at this University is to a Chair in History and recognises her outstanding contributions to Medical History. Professor Bryder has also been elected a Fellow of the Humanities Academy of New Zealand, an honour further recognising her outstanding contribution to the history of medicine over the last thirty years.

Professor Bryder is independently acknowledged and recognised as a leading Medical Historian.

Your organisation's lack of accuracy reflects on this University's reputation in the use of the "self proclaimed" phrase in relation to one of its Professors in History. It is strongly suggested that you immediately retract this statement and issue an apology. I look forward to your confirmation that urgent action to redress this factually incorrect information has been undertaken.

Yours faithfully



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