



Rosemary Scallon aka Dana

We act on behalf of Dana.

She sued Associated Newspapers [Ireland] Ltd, Associated Newspapers Ltd, Daily Mail and General Trust plc and DMG Media Ltd in the high court in ROI and DMG Media Ltd t/a The Daily Mail in NI in relation to defamatory comments made on 10 July 2014 when reporting on her brother's criminal trial for allegations of historic sex abuse.

Her brother John Brown was unanimously acquitted on all charges and later received undisclosed sums in settlement of his defamation cases.

We are pleased to confirm both sets of proceedings issued by Dana have settled for a 6 – figure sum together with costs together with an agreed apology as follows:

“On 10 July 2014, the headline of a report of the opening speech by the prosecution in proceedings for sexual offences against John Brown, the brother of the politician and recording artist Dana Rosemary Scallon, may have suggested that the accused was guilty of the charges and Dana knew of his offences.

In fact, we are happy to make clear that this allegation was found to be false. Mr Brown was unanimously acquitted by a jury, and we apologize to Dana and her family for any contrary impression given.”

Outside court today solicitor Kevin Winters from KRWLAW Defamation and Social Media Law said,

“This is the penultimate defamation action to settle in a very long list of cases issued by Dana

They all arose in the aftermath of her brother's successful acquittal on unfounded allegations of historic abuse.

At times it has been a gruelling journey for her and her family.

She is very pleased to see the latest endorsement of her good name and impeccable reputation.”

Responding to her latest court victory Dana said,

“I wish to thank KRWLAW for having the tenacity and expertise to see through these legal battles. I should never have been put in this position of having to litigate against so many different media outlets



Serious false allegations were also made in court reporting when I stood up for my brother in his battle to defend himself against the outrageous allegations made against him.

This particular case took 9 years to conclude. No one should ever be put in this position. I am both relieved and very happy to obtain yet further vindication on my position.

I look forward now to ending my final defamation case and if necessary going to court against one outstanding media outlet after which I can draw a line underneath all court proceedings.”
ENDS

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