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Jordan Williams Gives Full Apology & Compensation for False Allegations Against Colin Craig

Jordan Williams has apologised to Colin Craig and his family and made a payment to him after admitting making false allegations about Mr Craig.

In his apology Mr Williams acknowledged his role in spreading false allegations about Mr Craig and he apologised unreservedly to Mr Craig and his family.

Mr Craig said he was happy the matter has been bought to a conclusion. "This apology and payment allows both parties to move on" said Colin Craig.

Mr Craig said one of the most disappointing things for him looking back over events was the willingness of people to publish serious allegations without checking on the truthfulness of the allegations first. "I hope in future people make sensible enquiries before attacking someone's reputation".

The settlement with Jordan Williams follows a court decision released earlier this year which found Ms Rachel MacGregor, Craig's former press secretary, had defamed Mr Craig by making a number of serious allegations including, amongst others, falsely alleging that Mr Craig had caused a young woman to commit suicide.

Apology by Jordan Williams to Colin Craig and Family

I wish to apologise publicly for the untrue statements I have made about Mr Craig.

In late 2014, Ms MacGregor, Mr Craig's former Press Secretary approached me making various allegations about Mr Craig. Some of the allegations were serious and I decided to pass these allegations on to others within the Conservative Party and ultimately to Whale Oil.

I am now aware that a number of statements I made to others about Mr Craig were not true.

I deeply regret what has happened and my involvement in spreading those allegations. I apologise to Mr Craig and his family unreservedly.

I will not be continuing my legal proceedings against Mr Craig. I have personally apologised to Mr Craig and agreed to make a payment to him. He has accepted my apology and so has agreed to end his legal proceedings against me.

Signed:

Jordan Williams

Date: 7 November 2019