



QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE
STATEMENT OF WITNESS



Occurrence #: QP1901678400

Statement no.: 1 Date: 20/01/2020

Statement of

Name of witness: FRANCIS, Wayne

Date of birth: _____ Age: _____ Occupation: Police Officer

Police officer taking statement

Name of police officer: _____,

Rank: Detective Sergeant Reg. no.: 21948

Region/Command/Division: Southern Region Station: Ipswich District CIB

Statement:

Wayne FRANCIS states:

1. I am a Detective Sergeant of Police currently stationed at the Ipswich District Criminal Investigation Branch. I am the primary investigating officer in this matter.
2. I know the defendant in this matter as Russell Gordon Haig MATHEWS.
3. I commenced investigating this matter on 26th June 2019. During the course of this investigation I undertook duties which included operational and administrative functions, namely: completing general administrative and investigative tasks. One such task related to correspondence between the QPS and the eSafety Commissioner

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4. During the course of this investigation I reviewed the following web pages, in which the 'Editor in Chief' identifies as Russell G H Mathews BSc Llb BA':

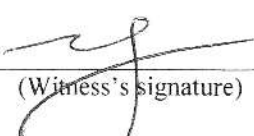
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5. I observed that these pages contain photographs of a house featuring a number of billboards. This house is situated at 119 Brisbane Road Booval. I conducted Qprime checks and confirmed that the occupant of this address since 23rd July 2018 is the defendant, Russell Gordon Haig MATHEWS.

6. On Friday 23rd August 2019 I attended Ipswich Magistrates Court and obtained a search warrant for the defendant's address at 119 Brisbane Road Booval. I also noted that the billboards at this address advertise links to the 'HaigReport' website.

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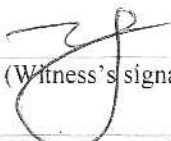
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7. On Thursday 29th August 2019 I attended 119 Brisbane Road Booval in the company of four (4) plain clothes police officers and executed the search warrant. The defendant was the sole occupant present at the address. I commenced my digital voice recorder at the beginning of the search warrant

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8. It appeared that the defendant was living in a shipping container at the rear of the main dwelling on the property. I observed that the shipping container was extremely untidy and had a putrid smell. I also observed that there was a bucket inside the shopping container which the defendant had been using as a toilet. The defendant provided no explanation as to why he was going to the toilet in the bucket and not using the toilet in the house.
9. During the course of the search warrant the defendant made several remarks about not wanting police to take his camera (*at 16:50 mins into the recording and again at 19:52 mins into the recording*). I note that there was no camera specifically mentioned on the search warrant. I asked the defendant where the camera was (as he had raised the topic) and the defendant said he thought it was on his desk. I did not observe a camera in the defendant's shipping container and I did not seize a camera from the defendant. My interest was focused on access to the defendant's mobile phone and computer as per the access order provision. The defendant refused to provide access to his mobile phone or his computer and denied knowledge of the HaigReport website.
10. I also recall providing the defendant with an opportunity to provide eye drops to his dog and also an opportunity for him to lock up the shipping container after the search in that area had finished.


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11. I seized the following items from the shipping container which were all located around the desk area:

- *Acer Laptop*
- *Black Samsung Mobile Phone*
- *White Huawei mobile phone*
- *Black Verbatim USB*
- *USB card reader*

12. I further noticed that the main dwelling house was not furnished and appeared to contain no property apart from a large number of billboards and several boxes of t-shirts (*printed with police corruption messaging and links to the Haig Report website*). The defendant did not explain why he was not living in the main dwelling house or why he was living in the shipping container. I seized the following item from the main house:

- *White T-Shirt 'Police are Corrupt' found in the living room.*

13. I then seized two large billboards from the front of the house on the property. I took a number of photographs during the execution of the search warrant.

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14. At the conclusion of the search warrant the defendant was arrested for stalking and transported to the Ipswich Watchhouse and charged in relation to these matters. The defendant was provided with a copy of a Field Property Receipt which lists the items seized during the search warrant

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15. I arranged for the defendant to be photographed at the watchhouse (he was wearing a t-shirt with a link to the HaigReport website).

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16. The defendant was released on bail undertaking and transported back home to his Booval address. During the course of the search warrant the defendant made a number of vile personal attacks against me; suggesting that I am a *'corrupt Catholic cunt parasite'* and variations thereof. The defendant also declared he shall *'continue fighting corruption.'* I advised the defendant *'You can do that, you just can't make nasty personal attacks, that has nothing to do with fighting corruption.'*
17. On 4th October 2019 I received correspondence from Crown Law advising that the defendant had sought a copy of the search warrant application. They wished to know if I objected to its release (*I did not object to the release*). The search warrant application was subsequently provided to the defendant.
18. I later observed that the search warrant application had been published on the Haig Report along with a number of further articles making personal attacks against me and also Detective Inspector David BRIESE, including photographs of BRIESE (*I am aware that the BRIESE has never had any contact either in person or via phone with the defendant*).

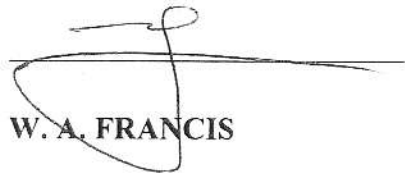
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19. I have continued to attend to correspondence in relation to this matter.



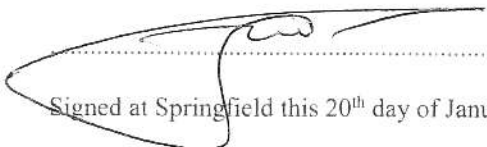
W. A. FRANCIS

Justices Act Acknowledgement

Justices Act 1886

I acknowledge by virtue of 110A (6C)(c) of the Justices Act 1886 that:

- (1) This written statement by me dated 20/01/2020 and contained in the pages numbered 1 to 6 is true to the best of my knowledge and belief; and
- (2) I make this statement knowing that, if it were admitted as evidence, I may be liable to prosecution for stating in it anything that I know is false.



.....Signature
Signed at Springfield this 20th day of January 2020

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