



QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE
STATEMENT OF WITNESS

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Occurrence #: _____
Statement no.: 1 Date: 22/07/2019

Statement of

Name of witness: MACKINNEY, Matthew
Date of birth: _____ Age: _____ Occupation: Police Officer


Police officer taking statement

Name: MACKINNEY, Matthew
Rank: Senior Constable Reg. no.: 17968
Region/Command/Division: Southern, Ipswich Station: Ipswich

Statement:

Matthew MACKINNEY states:

- 1] I am a Senior Constable of Police and am currently attached to the Ipswich Police Station.
- 2] I know Russell MATHEWS by sight only.
- 3] At about 4.09pm on the 6th day of July 2019 I received a text message for a person known to me with a photo of a large "bill board" style sign located at the front of 119 Brisbane Road Booval. I am aware that this is the address of Russell MATHEWS.
- 4] This photo showed the sign to read "lowlife..... BOOVAL POLICE, Brock Anderson & Matthew Mackinney ARE CORRUPT haigReport.com/AM".
- 5] I received several messages from friends and colleagues in relation to this sign, one of which had a link to the "Haig Report" web page. I subsequently opened the page and read the content relating to my name being publicly displayed and the allegation made be MATHEWS that I am corrupt.


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- 6] On the 25/11/2019, myself and Constable ANDERSON attend a call for service at 11 Beth Street North Booval. At this time, I arrested and Charged a male person known to me as Allen Grant SUHR with breaching a Domestic Violence Order.
- 7] Since this time, I am aware the SUHR made a formal complaint against me to the Ethical Standard Command which was investigated and finalised.
- 8] Subsequently, SHUR contacted the Ipswich District Professional Practices manager stating that he wanted the investigation re-opened and that he wanted something done about me, and should this not happen, he would take matter into his own hands. He repeated these threats several times during this phone call stating that I was corrupt.
- 9] A short time later, SHUR attend the Ipswich Police Station where I spoke with him. He appeared agitated, and continually referred to me as Mut. I then asked Sergeant MARGETTS to speak with SHUR although when asked to stop recording inside the station, he became further agitated and stormed out.
- 10] As a result of the threats made towards me by SHUR and following an internal threat assessment being conducted, I have been forced to change my behaviours. An example of this being that I no longer walk to the Police Station and have been provided with a designate parking space within the station.
- 11] SUHR continued to contact the station via phone for a number of months following this being generally abusive towards the station administration staff.
- 12] Having looked at the "Haig Report" relevant to myself and Constable ANDERSON, I saw images on the page which I recognise as being from my Police Issue body camera, supplied to SUHR as part of the disclosure made to him with his brief of evidence.



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- 13] I further saw a copy of a "Field Property Receipt" I issued SHUR at the time of his arrest.
- 14] Along with the fact I have had to change my routines due to SHUR's threats, I have further concern's as to the ramifications of the "billboards" displayed outside MATHEWS home.
- 15] MATHEWS address is in a prominent location with a high volume of traffic passing on a daily basis (30,000 vehicles quoted by MATHEWS on his web page). I have family within the Ipswich area and my son is a student at the Ipswich Grammar School. I believe that this sign, and the slander of my name will adversely affect my son and family in their daily dealings within the Ipswich community.
- 16] I also believe that the signs and information contained on the web page will affect my credibility as a police officer whilst policing in the Ipswich District.

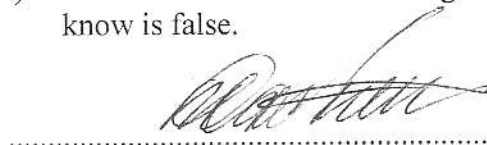


Matthew MACKINNEY

Justices Act 1886

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

- (1) This written statement by me dated **22/07/2019** and contained in the pages numbered 1 to 3 is true to the best of my knowledge and belief; and
- (2) I make this statement knowing that I may be liable to prosecution for stating in it anything that I know is false.



.....Signature

Signed at Yamanto this 22nd day of July 2019.



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