



**NSW POLICE FORCE**  
**Certificate of Expert Evidence**  
 Section 177, Evidence Act 1995 No. 25

<b>In the matter of:</b>	E07/0743
<b>Place:</b>	State Electronic Evidence Branch, NSW Police
<b>Date:</b>	8 July 2008

<b>Name:</b>	Sonia Richards	<b>Tel. No:</b>	REDACTED
<b>Occupation:</b>	Electronic Evidence Specialist		
<b>Station/Unit:</b>	State Electronic Evidence Branch (SEEB)		

**STATES:**

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence which I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in court as a witness. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.
2. I acknowledge that I:
  - a. have read the Expert Witness Code of Conduct in Schedule 7 of the NSW Uniform Civil Procedure Rules 2005, and
  - b. agree to be bound by the Code.
3. I am 39 years of age.
4. I hereby certify that I am an Electronic Evidence Specialist with the New South Wales Police Force, State Electronic Evidence Branch (SEEB). I have specialised knowledge based on training, study, qualifications and experience in the identification, preservation, analysis and presentation of electronic evidence, as detailed in:
 

**Annexure A:** Curriculum Vitae of Sonia Richards
5. Between March and June 2008 I examined forensic copies of data storage devices, which contained the following descriptive data about the devices:
 

<b>SEEB label:</b>	<b>PC01HD01</b>
<b>Device type:</b>	Hitachi 60 GB IDE hard disk drive
<b>Serial Number:</b>	KCGHWJDH
<b>Acquisition Hash (MD5):</b>	019f24ad43e089c71541d1bc63a533b8
<b>Verify Hash (MD5):</b>	019f24ad43e089c71541d1bc63a533b8

  

<b>SEEB label:</b>	<b>PC04HD01</b>
<b>Device type:</b>	Hitachi 160 GB SATA hard disk drive (contained in Apple MacBook Pro S/N W870709SW0J)
<b>Model Number:</b>	HTS541616J9SA00
<b>Serial Number:</b>	IX70400CNWYCA
<b>Acquisition Hash (MD5):</b>	f5bee9bec8082997667ee27e33ff825c
<b>Verify Hash:</b>	f5bee9bec8082997667ee27e33ff825c
6. The references PC01HD01 and PC04HD01 will be used for the remainder of this statement.

Witness: REDACTED  
*Michael Williams*  
*8/7/2008*

Signature: REDACTED  
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7. A glossary of technical terms used in this statement is provided at:

**Annexure B:** Glossary of technical terms

8. A brief summary of basic operating system and user account information present on each device is provided at:

**Annexure C:** PC01HD01 and PC04HD01 - Summary of basic operating system and user account information

9. The scope of my examination was to look for evidence of alleged grooming offences between the following identities, in particular a chat log containing specific sexual references:

**Grant DAVIES, "mr g", "mr grant", "RG Dance" "REDACTED"**

and

BZP REDACTED

**PC01HD01 observations**

10. Saved chat logs are present on PC01HD01 for the Windows user accounts BZP and REDACTED. These chat logs were recorded between the dates of 7 and 17 May 2006, as recorded in the file system timestamps for the files. The format of the chat logs is consistent with the format created by the "Messenger Plus" program, which is designed to provide extra features for the MSN Messenger instant messaging program.

11. One of these chat logs was between the email identities REDACTED and REDACTED

12. I found one other saved chat log between REDACTED and REDACTED, in which one participant makes reference to "mr g" and a "sleepova".

13. Using the keyword REDACTED I found 8 versions of the chat log described at paragraph 11 stored in the Google Desktop Search cache for the BZP user account. These versions show the progress of the saved chat log over the recorded dates 7-14 May 2006.

14. The chat logs described in paragraphs 11 to 12 are presented at:

**Annexure D:** PC01HD01 - Notable chat logs

15. I found two fragments of MSN Messenger messages between REDACTED and REDACTED in unallocated space on PC01HD01. The fragments are presented at:

**Annexure E:** PC01HD01 - MSN Messenger message fragments

16. No other chat logs, or other forms of communication between BZP and DAVIES, or their listed identities, were found on PC01HD01.

17. I found one stored "ZEBO" web page in the Temporary Internet files for the Windows user account BZR showing details for BZP and a list "friends" being added as contacts. One of these contacts is REDACTED. This web page is described and presented at:

**Annexure F:** PC01HD01 - "ZEBO" web page

18. During the course of my examination of PC01HD01 I found one photo that I considered to be of potential interest, of a young girl being given a piggyback by an adult male, with a superimposed red heart graphic. The picture file and details of its location and file system timestamps are presented at:

**Annexure G:** PC01HD01 - Notable picture

Witness:

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**PC04HD01 observations**

19. I did not find any chat logs on PC04HD01.
20. In unallocated space on PC04HD01 I found two fragments of "Myspace" web pages referring to [REDACTED] "Myspace" (<http://www.myspace.com>) is a social networking website which allows people to create home pages about themselves, including diary-style "weblog" entries, and to share pictures and communicate with a list of contacts referred to as "friends".
21. These web page fragments are presented at:  
**Annexure H:** PC04HD01 - "Myspace" web page fragments
22. I found two fragments of web pages entitled "Constant Contact" and in unallocated space on PC04HD01. These pages refer to the user name "Grant" and include search results for [REDACTED] and details for the [REDACTED] contact. According to the web site <http://www.constantcontact.com>, "Constant Contact" provides email contact list, marketing and online survey services.
23. These fragments are presented at  
**Annexure I:** PC04HD01 - "Constant Contact" web page fragments
24. No other forms of communication between [REDACTED] and DAVIES, or their listed identities, were found on PC04HD01.
25. On 02 July 2008 I had a conversation with MADSEN. I then copied 16 photographs from PC04HD01 to a recordable compact disc (CD-R) labelled "E07/0743 - PC04HD01 selected photographs", along with a file list describing their location and file system timestamps. Metadata stored in the photograph files indicate that they were taken with a "MOTOROLA RAZRV3x" device.
26. I entered the CD-R as SEEB Exhibit D485376 Item 1.

Witness:

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*Michael Williams*  
8/7/08

Signature:

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