



STATEMENT OF POLICE

In the matter of: ROLLESTON
Place: Hornsby Police Station.
Date: 06 July 2009

Name: Arron FERGUSON **Tel. No:** 94769706
Rank: Detective Senior Constable
Station/Unit: Hornsby Police Station

STATES:

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence that 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 will be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything that I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.
2. I am 35 years of age.
3. About 10am on Friday the 3rd July 2009, Detective ADAMS and I attended the address of 19 Parrawi Rd, Mosman. At this address I had a conversation with a Construction Manager of John ROLLESTON who was working at a construction site at this location. I had a conversation with a him and as a result of this conversation attended the address of [REDACTED] Mosman. At this location I waited for the arrival of John ROLLESTON.
4. About 11am this day, I saw John ROLLESTON arrive at his driveway. At his driveway he stopped his silver Mercedes and lowered his window. I said, "G'day, John ROLLESTON is it?" The male person in the vehicle said, "Yes it is". I said, "John I am Detective FERGUSON and this is Detective ADAMS from Hornsby Police, John I would like to speak to you more formally. Can I come to your apartment and speak with you?" ROLLESTON said, "Yes, that's fine just wait and I will buzz you in at the gate".
5. About 11:10am, I attended ROLLESTON's apartment. ROLLESTON then opened the door of Number [REDACTED], and invited Detective ADAMS and myself into his house to speak with him. When we got into the house, ROLLESTON said, "What can I do for you?". I said,

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John, like I said earlier my name is Detective FERGUSON and this is Detective ADAMS from Hornsby Police. We would like to speak to you about a number of allegations of indecent assaults of a historical nature. To do this John, I am placing you under arrest for those matters. ROLLESTON then said, "Under arrest". I said, "Yes John, You do not have to say or do anything if you don't want to but anything you say or do will be recorded and can be used as evidence in court. Do you understand that"? ROLLESTON said, "Yes ok, this must be in relation to a complaint by ^{AWB} [REDACTED] is it? Well I need to call Sondra from Avant, she is my Solicitor". I said, "Ok John, You can make that call, however we will need to take you to the North Sydney Police Station after that to commence the formal process".

6. John ROLLESTON then appeared to make a phone call and spoke to someone on his mobile phone. ROLLESTON then handed me his mobile phone whereby I spoke to a female, stating her name was Sondra RILEY. I had a short conversation with RILEY, whereby she asked a number of questions and I explained to her what would occur with John ROLLESTON. I handed the mobile phone back to ROLLESTON and the call was terminated. I said, "John we must get going now to North Sydney Police Station". ROLLESTON said, "Yes Ok". I said, "You shouldn't need anything, just your phone and wallet for ID".
7. About 11:15am this day, John ROLLESTON, Detective ADAMS and I then left ROLLESTON residence and Detective ADAMS and I escorted ROLLESTON in an unmarked Police car to North Sydney Police Station. On route to the North Sydney Police station I said, "When we arrive at the Police Station, I will introduce you to the Custody Sergeant who will speak with you. I then propose to offer you the opportunity to participate in an electronic record of interview whereby I will ask you a number of questions in relation to the allegations that have been made. Do you understand that"? ROLLESTON said, "Yes". I said, "Depending on your legal advice, that may or may not happen, after that I intend on charging you with a number of Indecent assault offences that are alleged to have occurred in the 1970's at St Ives. I intend on putting bail conditions on you in relation to your profession. This should not take that long and hopefully get you out of there as soon as possible. We can arrange a lift back if need be. Is there anything you want to say of anything you need to know"? ROLLESTON said, "No, I'll wait to speak to my solicitor. He is going to met us at the North Sydney Police station. I said, "No worries John". I then had a further conversation with John ROLLESTON in relation to his employment in Broken Hill and his marital status.

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8. About 11:40am this day Detective ADAMS, John ROLLESTON and I arrived at the North Sydney Police Station. At the Police Station I took ROLLESTON into the custody area and introduced him to the Custody Manager, Acting Sergeant Jeremy LOO. I then conducted a brief search of John ROLLESTON and completed a field arrest form. I then attended to other duties.
9. About 11:55am this day I attended the Reception area of the North Sydney Police Station and had a conversation with a person by the name of John KAMARAS. I then escorted KAMARAS into the custody room and introduced him to the custody manager and ROLLESTON. I then left the room.
10. About 12:20pm this same day, I attended the custody area of the North Sydney Police station and had a conversation with John ROLLESTON in the presence of John KAMARAS. I said, "I would like speak with you in relation to some allegations. You do not have to say or do anything if you don't want to, but anything you say or do may be recorded and may be used as evidence. Do you understand that"? ROLLESTON said, "Yes". I said, "John ROLLESTON, I am Detective Senior Constable FERGUSON and this is Detective ADAMS from Hornsby Detectives. Detective ADAMS and I are investigating allegations of sexual assaults and indecent assaults. Do you understand that"? ROLLESTON said, "Yes". I said, "What I propose to do is offer you the opportunity to be interviewed electronically in relation to the matters. Do you understand that"? ROLLESTON said, "Yes". I said, "Anything that you say or do will be recorded and this recording may later be used as evidence in court, do you understand that"? ROLLESTON said, "Yes" I said, "The interview will be recorded simultaneously on three DVD's. Do you understand that"? ROLLESTON said, "Yes". I said, "At the conclusion of this interview you will be given on audio only copy of the interview. Do you understand that"? ROLLESTON said, "Yes". I said, "Also at the conclusion of the interview you will be asked to sign each copy of the DVD. Do you understand that"? ROLLESTON said, "Yeah". I said, "If required a viewing of the video recording of the interview will be arranged with you. Do yo understand that"? ROLLESTON said, "Yep". I said, "Prior to the interview, you were provided with and explained you rights whilst in Police Custody by the Custody Manager, is that correct"? ROLLESTON said, "Yes". I said, "Do you understand those rights"? ROLLESTON said, "Yes". I said, "Do you wish to be interviewed"? ROLLESTON said, "Other then denying them, No". I said, "So will you partake in an electronic record of interview"? ROLLESTON then spoke with his solicitor KAMARAS. ROLLESTON then said, "No I don't want to make any statement or interview".

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11. I then asked ROLLESTON to read a document that I had been making notes of our conversation. I then handed ROLLESTON the documents where he appeared to read them. I then said, "If you agree this is the correct content of our conversation would you agree to sign and print and date this documents. ROLLESTON said, "Yes ok". I then said, "John would you mind witnessing this document also"? KAMARAS said, "Yes ok." I then observed ROLLESTON and KAMARAS to sign and date the documents.

I now produce a document, headed, "NSW POLICE SERVICE".

12. I then said, "Ok thanks for that, I will now commence the charge process, It should not be to long maybe about an hour or two. I intend on requesting that you surrender your passport to ensure your attendance at court. This may seem a bit much but it has shown in the past that 'flight risks' are possible. I have had this happen before, not saying that you will, just need to ensure for the victims". I then left the custody room.

13. I then attended to the charge process. I then requested bail conditions with the assistance of the Custody Manager, Acting Sergeant Jeremy LOO. I then made a number of notes in my Police Notebook No.F434454 p's 24-26 inclusive.

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