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STATEMENT OF A WITNESS

In the matter of: Police Vs. Barrie STEWART
 Place: Manly Police Station
 Date: 24 March 2009

Name: ATK

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 83 years of age.
3. I have two sons, ATK and REDACTED these are both to my wife REDACTED. My son REDACTED was born on the REDACTED, 2959. Our second son, ATK was born on the REDACTE 1962. ATK has since passed away in 1995 from AIDS. Both of our sons attended Knox Grammar, Wahroonga as day students. REDA went from Year five until Year twelve, completing his education at 1977. ATK attended Knox Grammar from Year six until year twelve. However, did not finish his last exams.
4. When ATK was a young boy I would describe him as lots of fun and happy. ATK started at Knox Grammar in Year six in 1973. He had three close friends REDACTED, ATP and REDACTE. All these boys have since passed away. I am sure that REDA and ATP died from AIDs. I am not sure about REDACTE's cause of death. I am not sure of any of the teachers at school. The only teacher that I remember is Barrie STEWART. I do not think that he was ATK teacher at this time.
5. At the completion of the school day, ATK would catch the train to St Leonards where I would drive him home. When ATK was about eleven years of age he started getting driven home by Barrie STEWART. STEWART would drive him home via Frenchs Forest. I do not know what for. He would normally arrive home at a regular time. I believe that he was driven

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home a number of times about six - ten times. This was over a period of about twelve months. My wife and I believed this was wrong and never gave Barrie STEWART to drive ATJ home from school. Barrie STEWART was obviously homosexual and was open in introducing him to his partner. This was very strange for the times.

6. ATJ's behaviour progressed to pushing my wife, RED and I away. He did not talk to us and would not disclose anything to us. He would often close the bedroom door. When ATJ was sixteen years of age ATJ told my wife and I that he was homosexual.
7. I remember on one occasion Barrie STEWART was at our house for a barbeque. I do not remember that he was invited or not. It was a long time ago. Barrie STEWART had a conversation with my wife and I. He said that he can pick homosexuals and that it is a way of life for some males.
8. ATJ's attitude towards school and to his family deteriorated and progressed over the coming years. He did not wish to go to school and hated going to school. His school work started to suffer. In late high school, about 1978 my wife and I attended the school and spoke with the Head Master at the time and told him our fears. I told him that Barrie STEWART was driving ATJ home. I told him that strange things were happening and fears for ATJ becoming a homosexual. I remember he replied with a letter. The letter stated that he stands by all his teachers. I specifically remember that last line saying words to the effect "this is a figment of your imagination."
9. When it came time for ATJ to sit his High School Certificate. It was approximately six weeks prior. We again had problems with ATJ. He refused to attend. I spoke with Dr Paterson over the phone. Paterson offered that ATJ can sit alone in a room with a sole teacher supervising. When I told this to ATJ was exceptionally distressed. He did not want to do this and repeatedly said "No." ATJ was adamant that he did not want this to occur. The circumstances around this I am still not sure about.
10. In about 1978 ATJ was taken to see a psychologist, tom STANLEY. I do not believe this helped. He later saw another psychologist Louis De BORDE. This also did not help ATJ.
11. I have provided a typed letter to Constable MERSE that I have written. I have signed and dated this document and labelled it "Document 1."

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12. I have also provided Constable MERSE with some emails and letters I received from Knox Grammar. These are also signed and dated by myself.

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