



STATEMENT OF WITNESS

Statement of: Age: Over 18 years

This statement, consisting of 3 page(s) signed by me is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I know that this statement is to be used for the purposes of a prosecution and that if it contains material which I know to be false or misleading, I will be guilty of an offence.

Dated the 25th of November 2010

Signature

Witnessed by Lauren Solly (name)

of cd- Christies Beach (address)

Police

Signature of Witness:

I am providing this statement to Police Senior Constable Lauren SOLLY identification number 42660 of the South Coast Family Violence Investigation Section at the Christies Beach Police Station at about 8.00 p.m. on Thursday 25 November 2010.

My wife, and I have 3 children together. Our 6 year old son was diagnosed a couple of years ago with various conditions which require our family to adapt to his needs. has Global Delay Development, he is Intellectually Disabled and also Non Verbal. He can become very distressed and upset when there are changes from his normal routine. He

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requires a lot of structure and organisation otherwise he cannot function adequately. He can become easily confused, angry and troubled. As a family we have established ways to operate together in order to create a happy and safe environment for He attends the Primary School where he is placed in a class with other children with special needs.

Until the middle of this year, happily took a bus to school with many of the students from his class. This all changed after we found out that he had been inappropriately interfered with by the bus driver.

It was on the 20 August 2010 when I my wife and I found out that had been sexually assaulted by the bus driver who I know as

It was about 4 weeks prior to this time that my wife and I noticed something different about how was behaving. On occasions he would tell and I that his 'bum hurts'. As has limited language and expression he would repeat himself. When we tried to ask him why, we'd put things to him like 'did you have a fall?' or 'did you hurt yourself on the playground?'. He is a very active boy and we assumed that this is how he'd hurt himself. would reply with 'yeah'.

He didn't complain about his bottom everyday, maybe every other day. Sometimes it would be everyday or not for a week. There was never any consistency. When he did make comments it was usually at the end of the day around dinner time when we'd sit down and to eat.

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I did on a couple of times of the month check his bottom, but I couldn't see anything wrong. We thought maybe he had worms so we even bought some medication for him, but of course it didn't help.

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s behaviour was also more erratic than usual during that month. When I'd get home from work he would be really happy to see me so I didn't initially notice him being different. However I did notice that he would become emotional at times for unknown reasons. He'd have a cry and disappear to his room for the smallest things. I found it unusual.

Since we found out about what happened, things seem to make sense now. Soon after it all came out he would refer to his bottom being sore however, this has stopped. It's only been in the last couple of weeks that he has begun to improve. Prior to this time his behaviour was still over the top and at times irrational. We still have trouble getting him up for school. He wants to stay home and only wants to ride on the bus when either of his two close friends are on the bus. He makes excuses saying that he's sick and doesn't want to go. These are the main differences I've noticed with

I am prepared to go to court over this matter.

Signed:

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