

Statement of Paul SAUCIS

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Brief Description: Attached to this product is a statement by Paul SAUCIS, former friend of Ross WARREN. WARREN met with ELLIS and SAUCIS at [REDACTED] at Redfern and later left to have drinks with a friend. ELLIS and SAUCIS were invited. Discussions were had about linking up the following day to see a movie. WARREN was to stay at that address for the weekend, but failed to return after going out.

Summary:

- Para 3/4:** States that in late 1988 forms an intimate relationship with Craig ELLIS and through him meets Ross WARREN who is described as friendly and good natured.
- Para 6/7:** States WARREN meets with ELLIS and himself at Redfern between 7pm and 8pm on 21/07/1989. States wearing white polo neck top, trousers and shoes.
- Para 9:** Plans were made for SAUCIS, ELLIS and WARREN to go to the movies the following evening.
- Para 10/11:** WARREN leaves between 1 and 4 hours after arriving, to have drinks with someone. WARREN did not keep his appointment for the movies the following night.
- Para 14/15:** With ELLIS attends Paddington Police Station on 23/07/1989 and reports WARREN missing. Later attends the vicinity of Marks Park at Tamarama and locates WARREN's vehicle.
- Para 18:** On 24/07/1989 with ELLIS attends Marks Park, and shown WARREN's keys by ELLIS.
- Para 20/23:** States WARREN not likely to have committed suicide and he has not seen or heard from WARREN since.

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STATEMENT in the matter of:
Suspect death of Ross WARREN

Place: Paddington
Police Station

Date : 25 September 2000

Name: Pavlos Paul SAUCIS

Address: [REDACTED] Surry Hills

Tel. No.: [REDACTED]

Occupation: Student

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 for prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

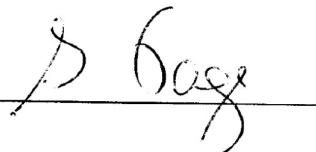
2. I am 38 years of age.

3. About September, 1988, I met Craig ELLIS and we commenced an intimate relationship which lasted for 12 years. Through Craig, I met one of his friends Ross WARREN around the end of 1988.

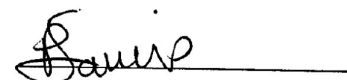
4. I found Ross to be a great person, he was quite reserved, he was a good person. He was extremely friendly, and good natured.

5. From the time I met Ross until his disappearance, I would have met him approximately between five and ten times. I knew Ross WARREN to be a presenter on the Win4 news.

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6. On the evening of Friday the 21st of July, 1989, Ross arrived at Craigs house at [REDACTED], Redfern. I recall he arrived between 7 and 8 P.M.

7. On that night, he was wearing a white polo neck top, trousers and shoes. I do not recall if he wore a jacket. That time of year is particularly mild, and I do not recall anything in particular to make me think the temperature was not mild.

8. During the course of the evening, I am not exactly sure if Ross used the telephone but he may well have, or had a meal. I recall Ross removing pieces of paper out of his pants pockets, and put them on to the dining room table. I later saw that those pieces of paper contained telephoned numbers. My recollection is that Ross said, "I don't need these", but I am not sure.

9. During the course of the evening, we planned to go the movies on Saturday night - Ross, Craig and myself. I do not recall what movie we agreed to see.

10. Some time during the course of the evening, between one and four hours after arriving, Ross has left. He informed me that he was going to have a few drinks with someone, I do not recall if I was told who he was going to meet. When Ross left, I believe he drove away in a then current model brown Nissan Pulsar sedan.

11. The following evening when Ross had not arrived to keep his appointment for the movies, Craig and I became a little concerned.

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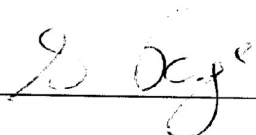
12. On Sunday the 23rd of July, 1989, he still had not re-appeared. He did have clothing at Craigs house, and I was under the impression that he would return to collect those.

13. That evening a telephone call was made to Win4 TV station, and it was established that Ross did not turn up for work. I believe it was Craig and not myself who contacted the station.

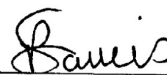
14. After establishing that Ross did not attend work for the evening news, on the evening of Sunday the 23rd of July, 1989, Craig and I attended the Paddington Police Station and spoke with a constable. We were informed the Constable would not take action at this stage as; (a) Ross was an adult, and, (b) he had not been missing long enough.

15. Craig and I then returned to our vehicle, and I discussed with Craig where Ross may have gone, and Craig suggested the "Bondi rocks". We then drove around the area past the Bondi Iceburgs Club to Marks Park where we saw Ross's car parked on the corner of Kenneth Street and Marks Lane at Tamarama. At the time we found the car it was darkness, and I do not recall the nature of the ocean nearby. I later saw that Ross's wallet was on the front passenger seat of the car, and there was also rubbish from a McDonald's restaurant on the seat. We did not touch the car after that. In relation to the locating of Ross's wallet being found on the front seat of the car, I do not recall if I saw it on the first instance or when police opened the car at a later stage.

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16. We returned to Paddington Police Station and reported the finding of Ross's car. During the course of the evening, Craig and I attended the Glebe mortuary with a police officer to view a deceased body found in the ocean near Dover Heights. We did not actually see this body as the description was different to that of Ross WARREN.

17. The following morning, Monday the 24th of July, 1989, we returned to Kenneth Street, at Tamarama, and I am pretty sure that Ross WARREN's car was still there at that stage. The reason for us being at the location was that police requested we be there to assist (with information) in a search of the area.

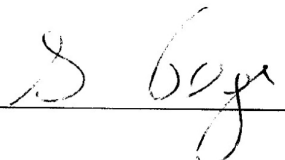
18. I waited at the top of Marks Park for the police to arrive, and Craig went for a walk along the rock platform at the base of the cliff. I do not recall the exact circumstances, but Craig has informed me that he found Ross's keys in a pocket on a rock ledge. I do not remember his exact words but that was how he described the location.

19. We later met police at Marks Park, and they were shown the Ross's car and keys.

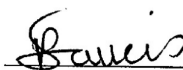
20. I do not believe that Ross would have committed suicide. He did appear to have something on his mind. I do not know what this was, but he was always a bit guarded and reserved.

21. I am aware that Marks Park at that time was a meeting place of gay men for casual sex.

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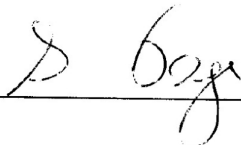
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22. I would describe Ross Warren as being about 5'10" tall, of medium build and complexion, with brown hair and green/hazel eyes. He was very handsome.

23. I have not seen or heard from Ross WARREN since July 1989. The exact circumstances of his disappearance are not known to me.

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