

Statement of I410 at Burleigh Heads

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Brief Description: Attached is the statement made to police by I410. It contains conversation that I410 had with NP57 in 1989 relating to the death of Ross WARREN.

Summary:

Para 3: I410's employment history

Para 4: I410's address in Nowra in 1989 is described. Also states flat mate [REDACTED] was living with I410 in 1989.

Para 5: I410 states how she came to know NP57

Para 6: I410 introduces the context in which the conversation was had between herself and NP57

Para 7: Relevant conversation between I410 and NP57 relating to the death of Ross WARREN

Para 9: I410 submits a CIR and speaks to WINTERFLOOD



NSW POLICE SERVICE
STATEMENT OF A WITNESS

In the matter of:	Death of Ross WARREN
Place:	Burleigh Heads Police Station
Date:	18 th December, 2001

Name:	I410	Phone:	
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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 am 35 years of age.
3. I joined the NSW Police Service in October, 1985. After the academy I was based at Central Police Station from January, 1986 until I was then transferred in September 1986 to Wollongong. I remained at Wollongong for about 18 months. I was later transferred to Nowra in 1988 or 1989. On the 3rd September, 1989 I commenced Detectives training in Plain Clothes at Nowra Police Station. I stayed at Nowra until I resigned from the Police Service in 1993.
4. Whilst I was in Nowra I was living at [REDACTED] Nowra. This unit was rented through Ray WHITE in Nowra. It is two story white hardyplank house on a corner block. Our unit was the upstairs level. I was sharing the unit with a Navy Stewardess, [REDACTED] (I'm not sure of the correct spelling). She worked at HMAS Albatross at the Senior Sailors Mess. [REDACTED] was about 19 or 20 years of age at this time.
5. [REDACTED] made friends with a person by the name of [REDACTED] NP57 who was about 17 years of age at the time. I think [REDACTED] NP57 was living on and off with her mother [REDACTED] at Nowra but she would stay with friends most of the time. [REDACTED] NP57 used to come over to my home with [REDACTED] about once or twice a week to get changed to go out. When she came over to my unit with [REDACTED] I was aware that she was involved in minor criminal offences and discouraged her visits and any association with her. [REDACTED] NP57 is described as 170cm tall, proportional build, shoulder length, Dark blonde hair with a very clear, fair complexion. I know her mother's name is also [REDACTED].

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6. I think it was at the time that I first started in Plain Clothes or whilst I was on rotation before a permanent position was available, this would have been around August, 1989. I remember NP57 was over at my place visiting [REDACTED] NP57 approached me in the dining room. I'm not sure if [REDACTED] was in the same room or not. I had a conversation with NP57. The conversation below is what I remember to the best of my recollection. I remember this conversation well as it pertained to a serious offence which had yet to be solved.

7. NP57 said words similar to, "I saw these blokes in Sydney flog some fella for being a poof. What do you reckon I should do?"

I said, "Depends on how bad they hurt him but you should go in to the police station and have a chat to them in there."

She said, "I don't trust anyone else. I'll only talk to you."

I said, "Well, what happened then?"

She said, "I was in Sydney with a car full of mates and we would just drive along and they would just pick out blokes and flog them."

I said, "Why?"

She said, "Just roll them and teach them not to be fucken poofers."

I said, "Well, what are you telling me for?"

She said, "I think one of them might have died. I think one of them may have been that TV guy."

I said, "Who do you mean?"

She said, "That WARREN guy. They robbed him and bashed him."

I said, "Where did this happen?"

She said, "I don't know, near some cliffs."

I said, "From what you've told me, it's certainly something you should discuss with the Detectives."

She said, "No."

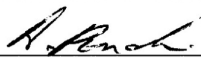
I said, "One of the Detectives at Nowra is Mark WINTERFLOOD. He is really easy to get along with."

She said, "No, I don't want to."

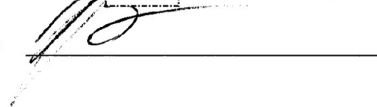
I said, "Mark's really easy to talk to and very non-judgmental. At least just try and talk to him. If you meet him and don't like him, just come back to me 'cause it's a pretty serious matter."

8. When NP57 spoke to me she did not appear to be affected by dugs or alcohol. She appeared genuine in her concern for the actions of her friends NP57 then went away

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with [redacted] and I think they continued to get ready to go out. [redacted] and NP57 then left the unit.

- 9. When I was next a work I submitted a Crime Intelligence Report in relation to the information NP57 had given me. I also spoke with Detective WINTERFLOOD and informed him of the information NP57 had given me and to ensure that the matter was being followed up. I'm pretty sure that Detective WINTERFLOOD spoke to NP57 about the information she volunteered.
- 10. At the time NP57 and I had this conversation there was extensive media coverage through WIN TV, Channel 4, Wollongong regarding the disappearance of one of its news readers, Ross WARREN. This media coverage was also in print.
- 11. I have not had any contact with NP57 since [redacted] moved out.
- 12. I am supplying this statement now after seeing a story on the television relating to the re-investigation of the disappearance of Ross WARREN. I contacted Operation TARADALE on Friday the 14th December to make sure that they had the information that I had previously submitted at the time of this conversation with NP57

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