



## STATEMENT OF A WITNESS

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| <b>In the matter of:</b> | Disappearance of Ross WARREN                    |
| <b>Place:</b>            | WIN Network, Television Avenue, Mount St Thomas |
| <b>Date:</b>             | 30 May 2017                                     |

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| <b>Name:</b> | Mark LYONS |
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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 60 years of age.
3. I have worked for the WIN Network on three separate occasions being from 1974-1980, 1986 to 2001 and 2002 to the present. In 1989 I was a Sales Manager in the Direct Sales, Sales Department at the WIN Network.
4. I can't recall when Ross WARREN started at WIN TV but I remember him working here. He was a presenter for the news, sport and weather. I think he also worked in the Promotions Department also but I am not sure. In 1989 the promotions department was in a demountable in the car park at the studio. In the promotions department was Danny MITROVIC, Rod HOCKEY, and Geoff PHILLIPS.
5. With Ross' hours at work, he worked from Monday to Friday. I'm not sure what time he exactly started and finished, but for presenters they usually started at 10.00am and finished at 7.00pm. I don't believe he worked weekends unless he did different shifts but I am not sure.
6. As to who Ross associated with at work I do not know. I remember Ross would keep to himself and not socialise much at WIN. He did engage with others he worked with at work. Due to him being a presenter, I can only presume that he would associate with other presenters, studio and floor staff more. With outside of WIN, I do not know who WARREN associated with.

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7. My observations of Ross at work here at WIN was that he was polite, cooperative and at no time did I see him have any problems with anyone at work. I am not aware of any conflict that Ross had at work. With Ross' personal life outside of work, I am not aware of any problems he had with any person. I did not know anything about his social life. I only knew Ross as a work colleague. From time to time he would come into the sales department and say hello, or I would see him in the corridor and say hello. Any conversations I had with him were very brief and general. I can't recall having a long conversation with Ross.
8. As to places that Ross WARREN would go out to outside of work, I do not know and never heard from him or anyone where he would go. The only functions that we would have been at the same place would have been the WIN Christmas parties and the WIN Melbourne Cup parties in November.
9. With regard to Ross' personal relationships, I do not know who he went out with or who he was in a relationship with. I did not even know Ross was gay as he was popular amongst the women at work.
10. I have never seen Ross WARREN at work drunk or affected by drugs. Ross always appeared healthy, happy and well.
11. I do not have any specific last recollection of seeing Ross before his disappearance. As stated, I recall seeing him attend from time to time in the Sales Department. I do remember hearing about Ross being missing that week after his disappearance. I can remember staff at WIN talking about his disappearance. I can recall at the time the Illawarra Mercury ran a lot of stories about Ross' disappearance. As time passed, I can remember Ross' disappearance not being talked much at work anymore but from time to time someone would talk about it.
12. At the time after Ross' disappearance, I can remember someone telling me, but I can't remember who it was, saying that on the Friday before Ross' disappearance that he had gone to Prime Television in Wollongong. I do not know the reason or why he would have gone to Prime Television. With Prime Television in Wollongong, I remember that this went first to air on 30 March 1989 or 31 March 1989.

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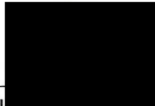
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13. With regard to Ross WARREN'S career aspirations, I do not know what these were. As stated I was not close with WARREN but just was a work colleague. I never heard anything about his career aspirations from other staff at WIN TV.
14. Since Ross WARREN'S disappearance, I have not heard or seen him.
15. On Thursday 11/05/2017 I was contacted by Detective RULLO by phone about the disappearance of Ross WARREN. We had a conversation about this.
16. About 9.20am on Wednesday 24/05/2017 I met with Detective Senior Constable RULLO at the WIN Network, Television Avenue, Mount St Thomas. I provided a statement. Due to computer difficulties on this date in which the statement could not be saved, I also through emails prepared this statement. I signed this statement and forwarded it to Detective RULLO on Tuesday 30 May 2017.

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