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COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

Statement of Witness

<i>Name of Witness</i>	Glenn Scott HEALING
<i>Date of Birth</i>	13/09/1963
<i>Address and contact details</i>	Known to Detective Senior Constable Denise PARER
<i>Occupation</i>	Senior Social Worker
<i>Officer taking statement</i>	Detective Senior Constable Denise PARER
<i>Date taken</i>	09/10/2012

I, Glenn Scott HEALING state;

1. I am a former employee of the Department of Family and Youth Services [herein referred to as the Department].
2. I commenced employment with the department in 1987 at which time I undertook duties as a Youth Worker-Cook at the John Oxley Youth Centre [herein referred to as JOYC]. After approximately 18 months I started performing residential shifts in the capacity of Youth Worker. I worked in both capacities for some time until I applied for and was awarded a full time position as youth worker.
3. Upon commencement at JOYC, the facility's original purpose was to provide residential care to young children who were primarily under State Care and Protection Orders with some children serving Detention Orders. In my position as youth worker-cook, I was to prepare and provide meals to the children however I also provided them on cooking programs within the Centre's kitchen. As I progressed to youth worker, my role was to supervise the children in their daily activities as well as engage and accompany them on external activities as they

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arose. During my period of employment at JOYC I undertook relief periods as Acting Senior Youth Worker.

4. In 1993, I left the employ of JOYC and undertook the management of a Youth Shelter at Ipswich. I remained in that position for 2 years before returning to JOYC in 1995. My substantive position was – Senior Unit Officer, and over the later years I acted in the position of Unit Leader for Wentworth Wing (for an indefinite period - leaving JOYC in 1996).
5. During my time of employment at JOYC I recall several persons performing the roles of manager and deputy manager. Initially I recall the centre's manger as Mr Terry McDermott and his deputy manager Ms Jenny Foote. Later Mr Peter Coyne became manager. Mr Coyne, who I would describe as a likeable man and freely made himself available to all staff, maintained his position as manager and Ms Anne Dutney commenced duties as the Centre's Deputy Manger. My knowledge of other centre managers who were employed after Mr Coyne were Mr Barry Collings, Mr Ian MacIntyre and Mr Paul Carter. These three men were well respected by the staff and children at JOYC.
6. I have some recollection of management issues during my employment at JOYC. These management issues appeared to be related to things including staffing issues, riots, absconding prisoners, lack of staffing and staff possessing varying degrees of skills. Overall, I would describe the Centre Management as a hard working team focussed on developing a preventative management approach to such issues and invested considerable resource aimed at developing staff core competency levels to be congruent with the Centre's overall goals and objectives.
7. For the main part, as a 22 year old male, newly employed in the youth worker field, I stayed out of any politics that arose. This was difficult as I was part of a first level supervisor team and had to maintain sound practice throughout many distressing situations that required difficult decision making. I do not recall ever being favoured, just being one of the mix. I would on occasion receive letters of

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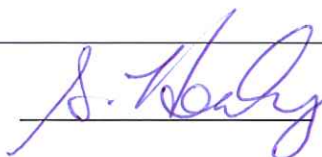


thanks for my performances (as did many other staff) but at no time was I unhappy enough with management that I needed to put pen to paper or make complaint about management issues.

8. During my period of employment at JOYC I recall there being an Inquiry. This I have later heard referred to as the Heiner Inquiry. I recall that at the time staff at JOYC were either approached or offered the opportunity to attend the Inquiry to give evidence. My recollection is that the purpose of this Inquiry was to focus on conflicts which were happening at the centre between management and staff. I remember that I volunteered that I would give evidence. On the day I gave evidence I recall having been on shift at JOYC in the Centre kitchen. I left JOYC, and travelled in to Brisbane in my own private vehicle. I recall parking somewhere near the Victoria Barracks and walking to the Children's Court at North Quay to give evidence. On that day I entered a small booth like room in which I sat at what I would describe as a dock. There I was directed questions by an older gentleman about JOYC. I do not recall the exact questions asked of me but do recall that they were closed ended questions to which I either for the main part answered yes or no. None of the questions asked of me by this gentleman involved any sort of allegations or issues surrounding any forms of sexual abuses. I did not raise any issues in relation to any sexual abuses at JOYC as I had no knowledge of any having occurred.
9. On the day I gave my evidence I have some recollection that my evidence was being voice recorded. Further, I recall that there was a court officer typing as proceedings continued. There may have been another person in the room as well which I assumed was some sort of court officer. My evidence was brief as I did not have any information to offer.
10. I have some recollection of JOYC staff later making comment to me such as 'Did you give evidence?' but cannot recall who indicated to me that they gave evidence before the Inquiry.

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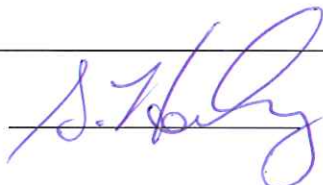


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11. At no other time do I recall ever providing any statement to any person, body, or Inquiry about my employment at JOYC or in relation to any sexual abuse allegations.
12. My only knowledge of any sexual abuse allegations at JOYC I learned through news paper articles which were published after I left JOYC. I have no direct or second hand knowledge of that alleged event.
13. During my employment at JOYC I recall being a member of a Union however would not describe my involvement with the union as active. I never approached or was approached the union body about any issues or concerns.
14. On the 10<sup>th</sup> October 2012 Detectives Parer and Mison attended my home address during which time I provided them with my knowledge of this matter.
15. During this conversation Detective Parer produced to me a photocopy of a hand written document dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1989 signed 'Very Concerned'. I am able to state that I am not the author of this document nor do I recognise the handwriting contained in the document.
16. During my period of employment I can recall some names of fellow JOYC employees. These persons include:  
Youth workers:  
Eileen Bisby, Irene Colmer, Trevor Cox (Senior), Jimmy Douglas, Lynn Draper (Senior/Unit Manager), Mark Freemantle, Jan French, Bruce Goggins, Loraine Hayward (Acting Senior), Marj Judd, 'Connie' Konnicanin, Peter McNeven, Lola Nolan, Marianna Pearce, Rudi Pekelharing (Unit Manager), Dave Smith, Gordon Teasdale (Senior), , Tony Van-Vlimmeren, 'Archie' Olde-Woblers, Chris Edwards, Jill Wesche, Bruce Cassidy (Senior), Mark 'Millsy' Mills, June West, Paul Hamson, Colin Bray, Darryl Hood (Senior), Jane Thirnbeck, Guy Gibson, Gary Truloff, Daniel Lannen, Warren Christensen, Fred Feige (Senior), Lex Clemence, Gayle Leggart, Wally Tallas, Olly Isaacs, Narend Nath, Bronwyn

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Marshall, Ken Kleidon, 'Barney', Rodney Reston, Jan Malloy, Ken Semph, 'Gordie', David Porter ? (Older man whom I worked for some time with in Lawson Wing- youth worker), Ouida (said as- "Weeda") Female Youth worker, and 'Paul'- Unit Leader.

Teachers:

Karen Merciadies, Gordon Cooper, Cindy Ranger.

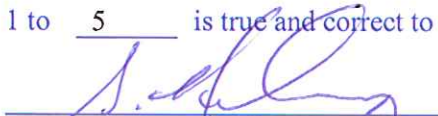
Other staff:

Alex Meulenberg (Mechanic), Sara Moynihan, Jane Mumford (Cook), Peter Palmer, Brian Parker (Admin), Trudi Parker (Admin), Cartledge, Jeff Manitzky (Psychologist), Jody Preston (Admin), Josie Russo (Domestic), Lorraine McGreggor (Youth worker/nurse), Earl Kaltner (Counsellor), Marion Thompson (Case worker), Terry Owens (Yardsman & later youth worker), Gloria McNeven (Domestic), Deidre Duncan (House keeper), Gary Thompson (Case worker), Wendy Kropp, 'T' (Counsellor), Todd Schultzy (Counsellor), Ian McIntyre (Manager) and Shaun (Cook), Effie (Domestic).

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**Declaration**

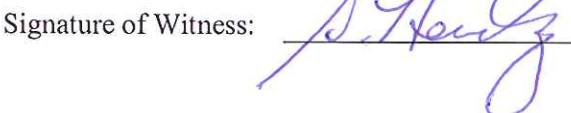
This written statement by me dated 09/10/2012 and contained in the pages numbered 1 to 5 is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Signed at Auburn this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October 2012

Witnessed:  Signature

Name Denise Parn Rank DSC Reg. No. 10736

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