

QUEENSLAND RACING COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

Commissions of Inquiry Act 1950

STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 5(1) (d).

I, **SUE HANMER** care of Level 10, 300 Adelaide Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:

1. I am married to Anthony John Hanmer who was a director of Racing Queensland Limited and Queensland Racing Limited.
2. I have been shown the statement of Robert Frappell dated 26 July 2013 which has been given to the Commission. I wish to respond to paragraph 30 of that statement.
3. My husband was chairman of the Queensland Racing Awards Night Committee in 2009. We both attended at the Sofitel Hotel in Brisbane on Saturday, 15 August 2009 for the gala function that took place that evening.
4. On the afternoon of Saturday 15 August 2009, my husband was involved in checking the setting up of the ballroom of the Sofitel Hotel in Brisbane and rehearsals and run-through for the night's programme. We left the ballroom at about 4pm after a full day of rehearsals, and as we went down the escalator we saw Bob and Maree Frappell, their son and his wife sitting near the bar area.
5. We had often met them at racing events. I was aware my husband had spent considerable time in an unpaid professional capacity advising on the marketing of the QTIS 600 scheme for Queensland horse breeders. I was also aware that Mr Frappell was a horse breeder and a beneficiary of the QTIS scheme, and that he had recently been made Chairman of Toowoomba Racing Club. So we went over to say hello.

Signed: 

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Statement of Sue Hanmer

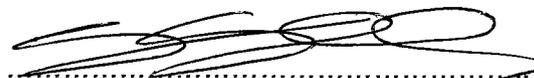
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6. From my observation of him, I believed that Mr. Frappell had been drinking for some while. He was rambling and incoherent, abusing my husband concerning issues of the Queensland Racing Board. Mr Frappell kept making a threat with words to the effect, "Your head in a box," and he made hand gestures to indicate exactly what he meant.
7. I exchanged a few words with Maree Frapell but, obviously his family were extremely embarrassed by his outbursts. My husband attempted to calm the situation but, it was obvious our best course was to leave, which we did.
8. Mr. Frappell continued his rudeness and poor behaviour throughout the Awards evening to the extent that the security on duty in the ballroom had to restrain him from banging his plate with his spoon whenever the Chairman of Queensland Racing or members of the board were on stage.
9. I believe it is a well-known fact that my husband rarely drinks socially and never at racing functions.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the *Oaths Act 1867*.

SIGNED AND DECLARED)
 at COOLUM BEACH)
 on: 27 AUGUST 2013)
 in the presence of:)





Solicitor / Justice of the Peace
 SIMONE SMALL

