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Affidavit of Phillip Cleaton

I was the "Director of Operations" referred to in a document entitled "Press Release", issued from "Sunshine Coast Plastic Surgery and Cosmetic Clinic" by Dr Mark McGovern on or about 5th March 2001. In this document certain opinions and actions are ascribed to me which are not true.

Specifically:

1. It states I am "understandably concerned" that certain doctors who are not plastic surgeons are operating at the hospital where I was Director of Operations. This is untrue. I am entirely satisfied with the standards of all the doctors performing cosmetic surgery at that hospital. The vast majority of cosmetic surgery at the hospital is performed by cosmetic surgeons and not by plastic surgeons. There has not been a single incident to cause concern to the hospital.
2. It stated that I took "the highly unusual decision to refer the matter (my supposed concerns) to the Medical Board of Queensland". This is also not true. There is no reason to make a referral nor is there any intention to make such a referral. No such referral has been made.
3. It is also state that this "decision" was taken after "consultation with the Queensland Society of Plastic Surgeons". I did not consult with this society. In fact Dr Mark McGovern telephoned me. He did not identify himself as speaking on behalf of this Society nor did he indicate that he was gathering information for a subsequent press release.

Sworn by Phillip Cleaton
at Kippa Ring this 24th day of September 2001.

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Signature

Witness

PETER A. CRANE

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