BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION OF NEW SOUTH WALES IN COURT SESSION

IRC of 3140 / 2001

GERARD CREWDSON

Applicant

and

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

First Respondent

CENTRAL SYDNEY AREA HEALTH SERVICEq

Second Respondent

AFFIDAVIT:

Deponent: Valda Kerrison

Date: December 2002

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Gerard Crewdson

Address for Service of Documents

On the day of December 2002, I Valda June Kerrison of Unit 5, 71 Probert Street, Newtown, NSW, TAFE teacher, MYOB appointed trainer, say on oath

- 1 I have known the Applicant Mr Gerard Crewdson since about April 1998.
- Throughout that year I was in frequent contact with Mr Crewdson. Mr Crewdson told me of his experiences as an employee with the Department of Community Services (DOCS). I had a particular interest in these matters as I had also performed work for DOCS.

Mr Crewdson

- J recall that around September 1998 that Mr Crewdson spoke to me over the phone of a conversation he had had with Mr Raoul Salpeter of the Crown Solicitor's Office. Mr Crewdson told me in that phone call that Mr Salpeter had used the word "disabuse". I recall saying to Mr Crewdson words to the effect: "What does 'disabuse' mean?" I recall that we were speaking on the telephone, and I looked the word up in my dictionary and read the dictionary meaning out to Mr Crewdson in that telephone conversation.
- 4 At no time did Mr Crewdson convey to me either by words of actions that his complaints had been unfounded.
- 5 At no time did Mr Crewdson convey to me either by words of actions that he wished to retract his allegations.
- 6 At no time did Mr Crewdson convey to me either by words of actions that he wished to resign from his position in DOCS

DOCS Reports Disability Program - Information Deleted and Replaced

- 7 On 11 and 12 March 1998 I was employed to do word processing for Department of Community Services Strathfield.
- 8 I was working under the Manager Margo, instructed by Assistant Manager Disability Yvonne Turiano.
- 9 I was instructed to make alterations to reports re care and accommodation of disabled clients in group accommodation and put this on the computer.
- 10 A staffmember Terry and other/s crossed out the paragraphs and information that I was to omit from the real reports and wrote the phrase that I was to insert in the specified places in the phoney reports.
- 11 I asked the Manager Margo about deleting the information and she directed me. Therefore, on the instructions of Strathfield DOCS management I destroyed the field workers' information and replaced it with the managers' somewhat empty phrase throughout this batch of records about Strathfield DOCS' disabled clients program.
- 12 If those records still exist I believe they would be in the office of the Minister for DOCS because that is what DOCS managers conveyed to me when I was instructed to alter the records.

SWORN By the Deponent)	
At Sydney)	
Before me:)	
On the third day of December in the	ne year two thousand and two.
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Solicitor/Justice of the Peace	Deponent