

QUEENSLAND HEALTH PAYROLL SYSTEM COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

Statement of Witness

Name of Witness	Brendan James Pollock
Date of Birth	Known to Crown Law
Address and contact details	Known to Crown Law
Occupation	Lead Functional Expert. Architecture and Design, Payroll Portfolio
Officer taking statement	Ms Anastasia Nicholas
Date taken	20 May 2013

- I, Brendan James Pollock, of c/o Crown Law, State Law Building, 50 Ann St, Brisbane Qld 4000, state as follows:
- I started with the Shared Services Solution in late 2006, when it was a part of CorpTech, moving there from Queensland Health. I remained in the Workbrain team through go live in the blended IBM team. I continued in the Wokrbain team under CorpTech governance. I have recently been transitioned back to Queensland Health via a machinery of government.
- I was working in CorpTech in 2007 as a business analyst. I reported to Mary-Anne McCarthy in this role. Ms McCarthy was an Accenture contractor and the Functional Lead of the Workbrain team.
- I was not involved in any way in the project for the appointment of a prime contractor. I am aware now that in 2007 a decision is made to tender to market to find a prime contractor, but at the time, I was not aware of that. I was not consulted as part of the RFP or ITO processes. I was not involved in checking any reference sites that were using Workbrain.

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- 4. In 2007, the Workbrain team was working on the whole of government design of the Workbrain application functionally and technically. My primary responsibilities related to configuration of Workbrain or input into design. Because I have a Health background, my skill set in rostering and workforce management was used within that team for that, rather than specialist software experience. I was involved in the original implementation of LATTICE and ESP back in the 1990's.
- 5. In 2007, the Workbrain team was a blended team of contractors and public servants. However, I was not made familiar with who was who, we all worked together as one team, no matter where we were from.
- I know that some of the contractors were from IBM, like Joseph Sullivan and Nitin
 Deshmukh. I did not work with Lochlan Bloomfield. I knew who Jason Cameron was,
 but I did not work with him directly.
- 7. I first met Joseph Sullivan when I joined the Workbrain team in November 2006. He was the technical lead within the Workbrain team. I am aware now that he was an IBM contractor, but at the time, I do not recall being aware of that. Joseph Sullivan worked on the same floor as me. We would have had meetings with each other on an 'as needs' basis. The only regular meeting we would have both attended would have been what we called 'brown bag lunch sessions', where as a group we would share information across the team on system functionality/design.
- 8. I have been shown an email of Joseph Sullivan (exhibit 32). I have been told that the Commission has had information from Joseph Sullivan about the second paragraph in that email where he says:

As I told Jason this morning, I've been unable to locate any of the proposals on the G drive. One of the government guys who told me he'd look through them all said they'd just been removed, along with a few other directories that were with them, so it looks like we were just a little bit too late.

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I have been told that Joseph Sullivan has suggested that I am 'one of the government guys' mentioned in the email.

- 9. I have no specific recollection of the events mentioned in the email. I do not recall ever seeing any vendor proposals on the g drive or even of looking for such documents. I would have had no reason to access documents of that kind. I had never been involved in any government procurement and I did not know at that time what the acronyms 'ITO' and 'RFP' meant.
- 10. I do not recall ever discussing the vendor proposals with Joseph Sullivan. However, he was the technical lead of the team and there would be occasions when he would ask me to find documentation for him. That is part of the day-to-day duties in the team. In my role now as a lead, I'll ask my staff if they can get me documents that are relevant to our tasks. At that time, it might have been documents such as Functional Specifications, Technical Specifications, Configuration Documents, or design requirements from Queensland Health or other government agencies, whatever was relevant to the context of the tasks that we were working on.
- 11. I had access to the CorpTech g drive, but it was the general access drive that all staff had access to. Joseph Sullivan would have had access to it as well. I do not know if there were protocols for access to confidential documents. My role did not require me to have access to confidential documents.
- 12. Joseph Sullivan did not provide me with instructions as described in the second paragraph of his email, to the best of my recollection. I am not aware of anyone else who looked at the vendor proposals and I do not recall any discussion about anyone looking through all of the vendor proposals. I do not recall any mention of confidential information of Accenture being inappropriately accessed in CorpTech.
- 13. I was asked if I could recall if Nathan Hulse worked within the team, I do recall that Nathan Hulse was seconded to QPS for a period of time, but I do not recall when that was.

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14. I was approached by the Commission of Inquiry to make this statement. I make this statement voluntarily. The contents of this statement are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I acknowledge that any false or misleading statement could be an offence against the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1950 or contempt of the Commission.

Declaration	
This written statement by me dated $\frac{28}{1}$ to $\frac{4}{1}$ is true and correct to the best	of my knowledge and belief.
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Signed at Drisbane	this <u>78</u> day of <u>May</u> 20 13
Witnessed:	Signature
Name Michelle Bozier	