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RE : CASE : QLD POLICE vs Simon Hickey charges : fail to report for bail March through August 2017

To Whom it may concern,

This letter shall serve as a request that the charges against Simon Hickey in relation to the above matter be dismissed. I shall not be pleading guilty, nor do I accept that any reasonable person would have acted in any manner other than which I did. The following events occurred surrounding this matter:

- The final time I did report was a Monday and I reported to Mount Gravatt Police station.
- The lady on the front counter was one of the usual staff, as I had seen her on previous occasions.
- I think she was a police officer
- I told my name and number she looked in the book and couldn't find me. Looked right through the materials behind her and at the desk and said " If I wasn't in the book I musn't have to report any longer."
- I queried this and asked for it in writing at the time I remember this vividly
- Her reply was that they "don't do that" and I asked for her to please check with someone senior to confirm this before I left.
- She disappeared out the back and after some minutes, indicating to me that she had in fact talked to somebody, she returned and asked if I had been in court during the week. I replied that I had.
- She then said "well that explains it. If you're not here in the book, you went to court so that's it. Don't have to come any more."
- I remember vividly thinking and saying I should buy a lotto ticket because it was my lucky day.
- I left and hadn't thought of it since until pulled over last month in Logan.
- I was subsequently charged with this offence
- I know now that only a magistrate can order the variation of bail.
- I know now that the offence which I went to court for which was later dropped before even proceeding had nothing to do with this matter and that's how the confusion arose
- I am not a criminal so I am unfamiliar with the reporting procedures and obviously haven't had this happen before.
- The police or courts could have called me anytime as my number is advertised as 24hour electrician
- I had been in court often since that day for the same offence which is yet to be brought to trial nearly two years later over the most trivial of offences, and still hasn't
- My reporting conditions were only imposed after missing one court day among many because I had trouble organising myself around so many appointments. I believe it's an attempt by the state to simply bog me down and overwhelm me with the intention I miss something and be convicted or lose by default.

I understand the charges won't be dismissed. I won't engage a lawyer for this matter as he will only say the same thing I have outlined above. I am not sure defence solicitors are even defending me anyway, they all seem to have this habit of going along with whatever the court or prosecutor says and not following my instructions and not acting in my best interests despite being paid to do so.

The trial will be brief. I intend to plead not guilty and make this statement only.

We will leave the court to decide how quickly to convict me and what penatly to impose.

Sincerely