

Sandy White-O

Yeah.

MS GOBBO: You knew that when I started talking - - -

Sandy White-O

: Yeah, I'm not - I don't want to water that down.

MS GOBBO: ^{Sandy White-O} |, let me finish, ^{Sandy White-O} But I am prepared to give evidence against him as much as that might change my entire life.

Sandy White-O

: You know, on this point of giving evidence - and I'd like to talk about the repercussions for that but first off, if we went down the path of you giving evidence, yes, you can evidence against Tony on a range of matters which would add already against him, no doubt about that, but if you're gunna go down that track it would be a - it would have to be an all in situation.

MS GOBBO: I know.

Sandy White-O

: In terms of your real value as a witness evidence against Rob.

MS GOBBO: I know.

Sandy White-O

: That's the number one ticket item.

MS GOBBO: I know.

Sandy White-O

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MS GOBBO: I accept that it would be either all - I'm an all or nothing person so there's no issue with that.

Sandy White-O

: What - what would happen if you were to give evidence in your own circles? What do you think - - -

MS GOBBO: Gone. Gone. Finished.

Sandy White-O

..... I know you've - - -

MS GOBBO: Gone.

Sandy White-O

|: - - - got no trade left in Victoria.

MS GOBBO: Yeah, gone.

Sandy White-O

: I understand that but I just what is the biggest sort of issue, you know, I'm sure there'd be people that would say Victoria Police have utilised a member of the Bar to work against people that were arguably her clients and I know that we would say, no, they weren't and she was never actively representing them at the time.

MS GOBBO: And it's not privileged anyway.

Sandy White-O

: Yeah, but I'm sure that line would get very

muddy.

MS GOBBO: Yeah.

Sandy White-O _____: And from the point of view of your colleagues, they would probably see our relationship as something which is a disgrace for Victoria Police and wrong, ethically wrong, morally

MS GOBBO: Some would, some wouldn't. Some would, some wouldn't.

Sandy White-O : Yeah. I guess I'm saying I don't want to create a precedent that would - would be a longstanding precedent that Victoria Police will be stuck with forever

MS GOBBO: Mm.

Sandy White-O : I know that's being a little bit paranoid but I'd hate for - I'd hate for us to be in a situation whereby if a barrister in the future I think there's things you need to know about some sort of prohibition internally - - -

MS GOBBO: Yeah.

Sandy White-O : - - - or maybe even legislatively that would stop us

MS GOBBO: It's wrong though, isn't it, because if I was -
 let's say from today onwards I wasn't - I'm not acting
 for Rob 'cause he's - I mean, I'm - he's not charged with
 anything at the moment and let's say I was sleeping with
 him or I was - yeah, say I was sleeping with him then
 there wouldn't be an issue. Just because I'm a barrister
 wouldn't make a difference at all.

Sandy White-O

No, it wouldn't and, look, from our point of
 view we tried to be very careful about
 receiving intelligence from you specifically to your
 clients' defence. We've made - gone to great extent to
 try and stay out of that maybe we didn't do a
 good job and maybe we did but I wonder - - -

Sandy White-O

MS GOBBO: They've never - but, they've never had - none
 of these people have ever had a really clever amazing
 defence that's got to be kept secret.

Sandy White-O

|: What about this then, what about [REDACTED]?
 If he was to find out that you were very instrumental in
 his arrest - - -

MS GOBBO: Yeah.

Sandy White-O

: - - - what do you think the ramifications of
 that would be?

MS GOBBO: No, he'll be all right.

Sandy White-O

: Do you think?

MS GOBBO: Yeah.

Sandy White-O

Yeah?

MS GOBBO: He'd be aggro. I mean, look, he'd be upset about it but - nuh, he'll be all right. Because he's gone full circle. He's gone from - you know that phase he went through of trying to work out who it was and - - -

Sandy White-O

: Yeah.

MS GOBBO: - - - how did it happen and - he's gone full circle now to the best thing that ever happened. "I'm so lucky. I'm so lucky that I had you and thank God you agreed to support me through it," and - yeah.

Sandy White-O

: Could he say, "I would never have taken the course I took if it wasn't for you"?

MS GOBBO: Would he - that he never would have agreed to be a witness?

Sandy White-O

: Yeah.

MS GOBBO: On the basis of me giving him legal advice or on the basis of my emotional and friendship to him, emotional - emotional friendship?