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Statement of Donna Barrett

At some time during the day of April 24, 2004, I was standing on the infield of the outdoor track and field stadium at the University of Pennsylvania. I was officiating at an international track meet. Several of my teammates had just completed their track event. I asked an event photographer to take a picture of our team. As the 4 of us came together to pose, a man grabbed me from behind very firmly and quite purposefully. He had his arm on my waist and forcefully pulled me onto his private area saying "Hey, back that thing up here girl, back it on up!" I felt his private parts against my backside. I cried out and tried to pull away from his vice like grip on my waist. His other arm was holding my arm down against my side. He had me locked down against his body without my consent or desire. I did not solicit Bill Cosby's attention. The incident happened fast and I was angry that Mr. Cosby would take such liberty as to force his person upon me and hold me against my will. He left the area quickly and I complained to my teammates.

My teammates saw this but they did not realize what he was actually doing to me. I complained to other officials but no one knew what to do. I was so irritated. I did not remember who took the photo and did not know if it was still in existence until a photographer handed it to me a few years later on the last Saturday of another track meet. I am a married woman and do not encourage, condone or solicit any type of attention from other men.

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