

WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; MC Rules 1981, r.70)

Statement of: WILLIS DR NICOLA JANE

Age if under 18: OVER 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: DOCTOR

This statement (consisting of THREE page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Signed: N J Willis

Date: 18/07/2002

I am NICOLA WILLIS MBChB a qualified doctor working for POOLE HOSPITAL NHS TRUST. I have been qualified for three years, and have worked at POOLE for four months. On FRIDAY 12th JULY 2002 (12/07/2002) I was on duty at POOLE HOSPITAL in the early hours of the morning. I am not exactly sure of the time, but I was called to Accident and Emergency to assist the Anaesthetist with a female patient. When I arrived I saw an Oriental female who was semi-conscious and moaning. I saw blood on the sheet and I could tell that the female was in a lot of pain. I could not see any obvious injuries to the female.

I went to the left hand side of the patient and put a canular into her left arm so that fluids could be put into her system. At that time her "Obs" were satisfactory when the treatment was started. Her mental state improved a bit and she became more mentally alert and a doctor called SANJAY asked her some questions about what had happened. At this point I had moved over to her right side and was standing next to her head holding one of her hands. I heard her speak her name but I didn't understand what she said. I heard her say her age was twenty-six and then after SANJAY asked her other questions I heard her say something along the lines of, "I WAS GOING TO MY HOUSE", and "SOMEONE CAME FROM BEHIND WEARING A MASK".

At this point she became very unclear and I can not be specific about what exactly was said. She continued "HE RAN OFF AND I SAW MY OWN BLOOD". She then said something about knowing that she had been stabbed. There were a lot of people in the room and it was very busy.

The patient was given morphine for her pain and I could see her conscious level had deteriorated. Two sets of chest X-rays were done on her and by the time of the second X-ray I could tell she was getting quite bad despite the extra fluids she was getting.

Signed: N J Willis
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Signature Witnessed by: J. Hennessey

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