

EXHIBIT " 12 "

Inquest touching the death
of William Deitfield

Coroners Court, 44-46
Parramatta Road, Glebe

(Date) 12.12.94

.....(Dep. Clerk)

New South Wales Police

STATEMENT in matter of:
Death of W.Dutfield

Place: Mosman Police Station
Date: 20 November, 1991.

Name: 158

Tel No.: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Occupation: Oyster farmer.

States:-

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence which I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in court as a witness. The statement 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 in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

2. My age is 67

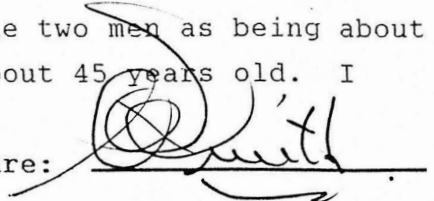
3. About 5.35pm on Tuesday the 19th of November, 1991 I was standing in the foyer of [REDACTED] Spit Road, Mosman while my fiensee, [REDACTED] was at her letter bow when I saw two men walk into the foyer from the side door that leads from the carpark.

4. [REDACTED] then pushed the button for the lift and the lift arrived and [REDACTED] and I walked in. As the door of the lift was about to close the older, taller man of the two walked in to the lift and turned and faced the door. The shorter man walked to the door of the lift, then walked out of my sight for a short time then walked back into sight and into the lift.

5. [REDACTED] then pushed the button for the first floor and as she did this the older, taller man said "Second floor please." [REDACTED] then pushed the Second Floor button and the lift then arrived at the first floor and [REDACTED] and I left the lift.

6. I would describe the shorter of the two men as being about 5'4" tall, eight and one-half stone, about 45 years old. I

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payed more attention to the taller man who got into the lift first. I would describe him as being about 6 foot tall, about 12 and one-half stone, slim build, about 60 years old, with grey hair, I think it hade a wave in it, and his face appeared to be distorted, pulled down to the left - it lookad as if he would talk out the side of his mouth, this did not look like it was from a stroke. He was wearing blue to grey coloured top with short sleeves and similar coloured pants.


7. ████████ and I went out and returned a little before the start of L.A. Law, I remember this because we discussed L.A.Law before it started.

8. As we were watching L.A. Law, I believe during the first half of the show I heard a noise that reminded me of sledge hammer hitting concrete, this noise sounded to come from right above my head. I then heard about 4 or 5 sounds of lesser volume, more of a thud that you would expect in a block of units. The last of the sounds was quieter than that of the preveous four or so.

9. At the time I was sitting in the living room of of unit ████████ Spit Road, Mosman which is located on the first floor of the block at the back of the building, on the south west corner.

10. Prior to speaking to Detectives tonight I had not seen the news about this murder. The only knowledge I have of it was that ████████ had told me that there had been a murder on the second floor.

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20 November, 1991.

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