

**EXHIBIT "13"**

Inquest touching the death  
of William Duffield

Coroners Court, 44-46  
Parramatta Road, Glebe

(Date) 12-12-94

\_\_\_\_\_(Dep. Clerk)

New South Wales Police

STATEMENT in matter of:  
DUTFIELD MURDER

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

Name: 171  
Address: Unit [REDACTED] Spit Road, Mosman  
Occupation: Finance Manager

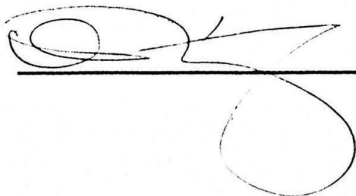
Tel No.: [REDACTED]

Wk: [REDACTED]


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 36.
3. I have resided at the above premises for a period of three years. During that time I have had very little contact with any of the residents.
4. On the 19th November, 1991, I returned home from work at about 8.15pm. After I got home I changed out of my work clothes and put on the television. 'The Investigators' was on Channel 2, (A.B.C.) and while that was on I prepared tea.
5. I then turned over to Channel 10 about 8.30pm and commenced to watch 'Equal Justice'. I spent the time watching television and was generally on the go around the unit during commercial breaks.
6. At 9.30pm 'L.A. Law' commenced on Channel 10 and again watched television and moved around the unit during the commercial breaks.
7. I can't remember specifically what time it was but it was

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during 'Equal Justice' or 'L.A. Law' when I was in the kitchen at the kitchen sink when I heard raised voices, both were male. One was louder and one was softer. The voices sounded like they came from above me in the unit above, directly overhead.

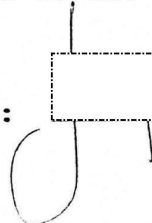
8. I couldn't make out the words in the argument but it lasted only a very short time. There were a couple of loud phrases and then I heard a thud. It was like something fairly solid and it appeared to be hitting the floor above. I don't think I remember anything after that.

9. I was only in the kitchen during a commercial break and returned to the television after the break. It was during the time in the kitchen that I heard the argument and the thump. I know the sounds of two people having an argument in a flat above me because I lived in London for nine and a half years and I lived in the same building for five years. During that time the couple who resided above me for eighteen months had frequent arguments and generally involved in domestic violence.

10. My unit is on the 1st floor. When you get out of the lift you turn left and take the right hand door. As you enter the unit there is a short hallway with a bedroom off to the right. You go straight on into the lounge/dining area and the kitchen is off to the right of that room about two thirds the way down the wall. The unit has a balcony and the door to the balcony is past the kitchen entrance.

11. When I am standing at the kitchen sink it only requires me to take two steps to get back to the lounge room.


12. When I heard the sounds of the argument and the thud, the thud appeared to be above me in the kitchen of the unit above if it has the same layout. I have never been to the unit above.


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13. I am not associated to the people in the unit above me, I only know the people on my floor and the lady in charge of the body corporate on the top floor. The first time I heard about the murder was when I spoke with Detective DOWDING and MINEHAN when they knocked on my door. I did not discuss the argument or thud I heard with anyone else.

Witness:   
K.DOWDING  
Detective Senior Constable  
R.C.S.N., Chatswood  
20th November, 1991

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