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STATEMENT in the matter of:
Carl STOCKTON

Place: Redfern
Police Station
Date : 12 November 1996

Name: Nathan Adrian STARCIC

Address: [REDACTED]

Tel. No.: [REDACTED]

Occupation: Financial advisor

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 anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

2. I am 23 years of age.

3. I currently reside at [REDACTED]. I have resided there for five and a half months. Prior to this I resided at [REDACTED]. I am a financial advisor and am single.

4. I have been frequenting the Bar Cleveland for the past two years and call in just about every day. The Bar Cleveland is located at the corner of Cleveland and Bourke Street, Surry Hills. I did bar work there for two and a half months so I know the patrons fairly well.

5. About 2pm on Tuesday the 5th of November 1996, I went to the Bar Cleveland with a friend, Gavin. I'm not sure of Gavin's last name but I know he lives at [REDACTED]. We met a with a lot of other friends in the front bar. The bar staff that were working that evening were, Magda, Brent, Donna

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and I think Louie was too.

6. Shortly after 2pm I went to the toilet which means I had to walk through the back bar. As I walked through the back bar I saw a man sitting at a table by himself. I know him to say hello too as he always drinks at the hotel. He would probably drink at the hotel every second day and is normally intoxicated when I see him. He is between 50 and 60 years old and has a slight build. He also had his right arm in a sling. I don't know his name but I always stop and say hello to him.

7. I sat down at the table with him and said, " Hello. How was your day?"


He said, " Fine."


I realised then that he was drunk. His speech was slurred and his eyes were bloodshot. Other than that he looked completely normal. He had no injuries to his face and appeared in good health like he usually does. He didn't say anything else so I left the table and went to the toilet.

8. I walked out of the toilet shortly after and noticed that he was still sitting at the table by himself. I walked straight past him without saying anything and went back into the front bar.

9. I drank in the front bar with my friends til about 6.30pm that evening. I didn't see the man at any stage during this time. I then left the hotel with Gavin and a few others and went home.

10. About 10pm that same evening I returned to the Bar Cleveland with Gavin and a few other friends. We sat in the

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front bar again. I can't be sure of the exact time but about 11pm I went to the toilet. As I walked through the back bar I saw that the man with the sling was still sitting at the same table by himself. I said hello as I walked past. He didn't say anything but he just waved. I saw he was still drunk but he still looked normal and had no visible injuries other than his right arm.

11. Shortly after 11pm I walked out of the toilet and saw that he was still sitting at the table by himself. I walked straight past him and returned to the front bar.

12. About midnight the night manager Brent asked the patrons to move into the back bar. They do this each night because they have a licence to keep the back bar open longer. Everybody moved into the back bar except for myself and Gavin. We stayed and helped them clean a few tables and just generally talked to the other bartender, Magda.

13. About 12.30am early in the Wednesday morning Gavin and myself were still drinking in the front bar. We were talking to Brent and Magda. The bar had closed and everybody from the back bar had left. We were waiting for Magda to finish work.

14. I'm not sure of the exact time but about 1am I saw two people standing in Cleveland Street outside the pub. They were on the sidewalk directly outside the pub. I saw there was a man with a ponytail holding the man with the sling in an upright position helping him towards the pub. That's when Brent went outside and helped the guy with the ponytail bring the man in to the pub. They sat him down in a seat and the man with the ponytail said, " I have to run." He then took off. I only

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really saw him from the back. He was caucasian and between 20 and 25 years old. He was medium build and about five foot ten.

15. Gavin and I walked over to see what was going on and saw that he had a black right eye and a small cut underneath his right eye. He was trying to talk but was incoherent. He was still very drunk. The only thing that he was able to say was, "I've had enough. I want someone to take me around the back and kill me." He said that about 10 or 15 times. We tried to calm him down and got a bag of ice and placed it on his right eye. We sat with him for about 30 to 45 minutes until Sydney City Mission came.

16. Two men from Sydney City Mission walked him outside and sat him in the back of the van. They couldn't understand anything he was saying so they asked Gavin and I what had happened. He had a mobile phone with him so we tried to get the number out of the phone. We couldn't do it. The two fellows said they would take him to St Vincents Hospital, and then left.

17. The man with his arm in a sling always drinks by himself. I have never seen him drink with anybody else. I don't know anything else about him and I have never seen him with any friends. I didn't seen any fights in the pub or anything else out of the ordinary that evening.

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