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STATEMENT in the matter of:  
Carl STOCKTON

Place: Surry Hills  
Police Station  
Date : 9 November 1996

Name: Alan John CLYNCH

Address: [REDACTED]

Tel. No.: [REDACTED]

Occupation: Welfare Officer

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 39 years of age.

3. I am employed by the Sydney City Mission as a welfare officer with Missionbeat. My duties include transporting intoxicated and homeless people to proclaimed places, hospitals, Police Stations, home addresses and Hostels. I have held this position for 11 months.

4. About 11.20am on Wednesday the 6th of November, 1996, I was performing duty for the Sydney City Mission driving a missionbeat van. At this time I received a radio message from base and as a result I drove to the Proclaimed Place of Campbell House, Surry Hills. ( I was informed to pick up a "Carl" for transportation to Sydney Hospital)

5. Upon arrival at Campbell House I drove into the rear entrance in Little Bloomfield street and parked the van inside the van dock area at the rear of the Proclaimed Place. The van

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I was driving was a [REDACTED] Van with a rear opening door and a sliding door on the passenger side. On the floor in the rear area of the van is a mattress that covers the whole floor and there is a small bench seat behind the drivers side.

6. I got out of the van and walked into the proclaimed place where I spoke to a welfare officer there by the name of Meffan ( I do not know his surname). I had a conversation with Meffan. ( I said, " Whats happening with the client?" He said, " The client was brought in approximately 3am on the 6th and is still unco-ordinated , has vomited twice and should be transported to a hospital.")

7. When I walked into the proclaimed place Meffan showed me to a bed on the right hand side. I saw a man on this bed and assumed that this man was Carl due to the previous radio message . Carl was wearing green pyjama bottoms and possibly a shave coat. He was caucasian in his late thirties or early forties. He had a badly bruised right eye and he had other bruising and swelling around his face. He was on his back on top of the bed clothes.

8. I walked over to Carl and said to him, " Are you O.K mate?"

He grabbed my hand and said, " Help me."

I said, " Do you know what's happening?"

He made no reply.

9. Meffan and I picked Carl up from the bed and walked him out to the van. Meffan and I were on either side of Carl holding him under the arms. I was on Carls right hand side. As we walked carl Meffan carried a blue garbage bag which contained Carls

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effects. As Meffan and I walked Carl I noticed that he was extremely unsteady on his feet and he appeared to have little or no co-ordination. I can not recall if he smelt of alcohol.

10. When we reached the van Meffan and I turned Carl so his back faced the van and we eased him down into a sitting position inside the van. Once in this position Carl was unable to move his legs into the van so Meffan lifted his legs and swivelled Carl around so his legs were in the van, facing the rear. Carl sat in the van with his back against a padded backrest behind the passenger seat. Meffan put the plastic bag in the back of the van with Carl.

11. I closed the door to the van and drove off. Just before I left Campbell House I spoke with Meffan. ( I said, " Could you call Sydney Hospital and explain the circumstances to them."). At 11.40am I arrived at Sydney Hospital Casualty department. I got out of the van, opened up the sliding door and helped Carl out of the back of the van. He was unable to get out himself so I had to move his legs and lift him under the arms with my hands resting on his shoulder blades. I stood to Carls right and held his right hand firmly in my right hand. With my left hand I firmly held the inside upper part of his right arm.

12. I walked Carl into the casualty section where we were met by a nurse. I spoke with the nurse. (I said, " Have Campbell House rang?" She said, " Yes." The nurse had a closer look at Carl and said, " We better take him straight into the beds.")

13. The nurse then took hold of Carl and supported him. I went back to the van and got the plastic bag out of the back and returned with it to the casualty where I gave it to a nurse. I

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then left the hospital.

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