

New South Wales Police**Statement in the matter of: Carl, STOCKTON****Place:** St Vincent's Hospital, Sydney**Date:** 13/11/1996**Name:** Dr L.H. Raj Wijetunga**Address:** C/- St Vincent's Hospital, Victoria St., Darlinghurst 2010.**Occupation:** Medical Practitioner**Tel. No:** [REDACTED]

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 willfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

2. I am 38 years of age.
3. I hereby certify, I am a Neurosurgical Registrar. I have a specialised knowledge based on my training, study, and experience as a Neurosurgical Registrar for the past 10 months.

I hold qualifications in:

1. M.B. B.S. (University of Sydney)
2. F.R.A.C.S. (Part 1)

4. On the 6/11/1996, I attended to a male patient, Carl Stockton, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Sydney following a closed head injury of unknown cause.
5. On admission the patient was suffering from: Multiple intracerebral haemorrhages and multiple comminuted displaced skull fractures. He was transferred from Sydney Hospital on 6/11/96 to the St. Vincent's Hospital casualty department.
6. The opinion is based on the neurological examination and neuro-radiological imaging studies.
7. Treatment: Surgery following admission of this patient consisted of:
1. Insertion of right frontal external ventricular drain under general anaesthesia on 7/11/1996.
 2. Right fronto-temporal craniectomy, right frontal & temporal partial lobectomy and insertion of an intracranial pressure monitor under general anaesthesia on 7/11/1996 (performed by Dr.M.Pell).

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7. Based wholly or substantially on my specialised knowledge, I am of the opinion this patient sustained his intracerebral haemorrhages & extensive skull fractures due to blunt trauma with severe force to the back of his head.
8. From the date of admission the patient's condition deteriorated. He died on 11/11/1996.

M. Briggs
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Witness

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18/11/96