

New South Wales Police

STATEMENT in matter of:
Death of Scott MILLER

Place: The Rocks Detectives Office
Date: 14 March, 1997

Name: PRICE, Archibald

Tel No.: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Occupation: Security 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 in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

2. My age is 58.

3. I work at Patrick The Australian Stevedore Hickson Rd Darling Harbour as a security officer. I have worked as a security officer on the water front for 17 years.

4. At 10pm on Sunday 2 March, 1997 I started work on gate 5 Darling Harbour 'DH' at Hickson Road with Mick PLANT. We relieved the twilight gate keepers Steve WILLIAMS and Warren WHITE. The night was quiet with only one ship working in the docks at wharf 8 discharging timber and the tower lights were on there. Wharf 8 is about 100 yards from gate 5.

5. About 10.10pm I drove around the complex in my own car to check everything was OK. As I was patrolling I didn't see anything out of the ordinary. There were no ships working in the area and the flood lights were off with only the pilot lights on which made the wharf area fairly dark. I patrolled around gates 3 to 5 and sheds 3, 4 and 5. About 10.30pm I came back to the gate and had a cup of coffee with Mick.

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6. About 10.45pm I drove out to gate 4 and wrote up and logged some gate passes in the log book from the previous Friday. Whilst I was at the gate I didn't see anything unusual. Next to gate 4 is an area called the 'graveyard' which is where we store the old machinery that is not used. It's partially fenced off with a gate which is always open. It is situated in the corner of the docks between gate 4 and a cliff which runs up to Munn Reserve at Millers Point. I don't normally check the 'graveyard' as there is nothing there, only heavy machinery. It is not lit well and quite dark.

7. After I finished with the logs. I locked the gatehouse up and the gate itself was locked and secure while there is no one there. I then returned to gate 5. I then continued regular patrols as normal every hour or so for the rest of the shift and I did not see anything out of the usual. I did not see anyone that should not have been at the docks during the night. Mick didn't report anything to me during the night.

8. About 6am on Monday 3 March, 1997 Ray COMPTON and Peter WARD from the day shift arrived and Mick and I left to go home.

Witness:


M.A.LANE PC S/Constable

Signature:

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Witness: _____

Signature: