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## STATEMENT OF A WITNESS

**In the matter of:** MURDER IN CENTENNIAL PARK OF ANTHONY CAWSEY  
**Place:** PADDINGTON POLICE STATION  
**Date:** 26 September 2009

**Name:** Brylan STEWART

### STATES:

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence that 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 will be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything that I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.
2. I am 25 years of age.
3. On Saturday the 26 September 2009, I woke up at my brother's house where I am staying which is located in Paddington. I woke up about 5am and with my brother Keaton, we left our house at about 5:30am and walked up Oxford Street, crossed the road and walked into the main entrance of Centennial Park off Oxford Street. We walked in a southerly direction on Parkes Drive until we reached the kiosk and then walked along the running track of Grand Drive heading south-east. We reached the gates for the horse entrance and decided to veer off left and then down past I think it's called Bakers Pond or at least B.. Pond. We began to jog down the track in a south-westerly direction following the shoreline of the pond. I could see a number of bike riders and persons running and walking in a clockwise direction out on the road. I could also see a man on the soccer field with a border collie. As we were running along the shore line, I saw what I thought was a man who was drunk or had passed out. I did not see any other person running from the southwest towards us. As I got closer I could see he was lying face down on a slope with his head lower than his feet. I saw what appeared to be blood on his hands and he didn't appear to be moving or even breathing. His right hand was fully extended and the palm and fingers were facing up. His left hand appeared to be curled awkwardly under his body but I could see blood on his left hand and his left elbow as well.

Witness: Signature:   
Brylan STEWART

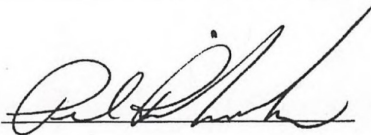
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I could also see what appeared to be blood on his torso and shirt, as his shirt was pulled a little way up his midriff. His cheeks were also red like the blood had pooled in his face and/or head. His pants were also pulled down past his backside to about mid thigh. He was wearing a black coloured g-string. He was also wearing brown high felt material boots which were like Indian moccasins or UGH boots which had cross ties up the side of the boots. He also had a dark coloured baseball hat which was covering most of his face. He had short sparse hair. He was Caucasian and appeared to be about 20 to 30 years of age. He may have had one or two days beard growth. I did not see any tattoos. He didn't have a jacket and I can't remember if he was wearing more than one shirt.

4. I had a conversation with my brother and we discussed what the best way to go for help was.
5. We decided to keep going southwest and a short time later, we ran into a woman. We said to this woman, "Do you have a phone?" I later learned this woman's name was 'Rita.' I had not met Rita previously to this and she looked to be in her early fifties in age.
6. She replied that she did have a phone and I borrowed the phone and called triple '000'. I said to the operator "We need an ambulance and police officers at Centennial Park as I think we found a body." I was put through to a police officer and described the situation to her. She asked me a number of questions. I made this phone call at 5:56am. I know this because later on the police asked me what time I called and they checked the time of the call on the mobile phone that I had used. The police operator asked me to return to the body which I did, as I was already walking back towards the body as I was talking to the police operator. As I approached the body, I saw a red cigarette lighter on the running track about 2 meters from the body. I didn't touch this lighter and later indicated the lighter to the police. The police operator asked me to try and make sure that the person was deceased. I didn't really want to touch the body; I used my foot to nudge his leg to see if he would respond. His leg didn't appear to be overly stiff and I don't believe that Rigor Mortis had set in. He didn't respond and I informed the police operator that I was fairly sure that the person was deceased.
7. As I heard the sirens approach, I sent Keaton to go up to the street entrance to the park and guide the police to our location. I was waiting with Rita, and a short time later a runner came by and he stopped and asked "Is that what I think it is?" I can't remember what I said but Rita said

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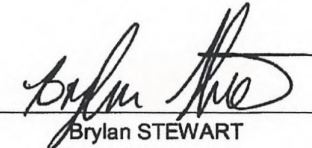
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something to him and the runner asked "Do I need to stay around?" Rita told him "No, I don't think so", and the runner moved off.

8. A short time after this, the police came running down the track, and I spoke to a male uniform officer. I don't recall his name. I gave this officer my details and there were two other female officers' one blond and one brunette. The brunette police officer put on blue surgical gloves and checked for a pulse but I don't think she was able to find one. Another police officer requested that we stay for a short time and Keaton and the man I had earlier seen in the soccer field with the Border collie appeared and a police officer took their details. Shortly after this we were all told we could go so, Keaton and I moved back northeast along the shore of the pond and we saw more police officers and ambulance officers came past us. We passed two other female police officers who were taking the details of the runner that Rita and I had spoken to earlier. We kept moving northeast and confirmed with another police officer that we had given our details to other police. We returned home via the same way we came in earlier. Rita left us shortly before on the running track near the Grand Drive Road, but we saw her running down Oxford Street, towards the city on the south side of the road.

9. I was shown a map of Centennial Park by Detective RICHARDSON and I have marked the place where my brother and I first located the body. I have marked and signed this map.

Witness:   
P. RICHARDSON  
DSC  
Buckington Det.  
26/9/2009.

Signature:   
Brylan STEWART  
6:30 pm.  
26-9-2009.

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Brylan STEWART