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STATEMENT OF A WITNESS

In the matter of:

Death of Anthony CAWSEY

Place:

Paddington Police Station

Date:

26 September 2009

Name:

Rita UECHTRITZ

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 49 years of age.
- About 5:20am on Saturday 26 September 2009 I left my house at Paddington and began my daily jog towards Centennial Park.
- 4. About five to ten minutes after leaving home I entered the Oxford Street gate of Centennial Park. I went left at the first fork in the road and continued jogging towards the breakfast wagon. I veered off to the path in front of the breakfast wagon and continued on a road which skirts around a hockey oval. I took a dirt track which is known as "Palm Walk". The track is lined by palm trees along either side of the path.
- 5. About 100 metres along the track I saw two males approaching from the opposite direction. The two males were walking together along the middle of the track. One of the males was in his mid twenties and wearing a blue shirt. The other was in his thirties and wearing a green University of Sydney jersey. I slowed to a walk and continued towards the males. As I reached the two males the older male said, "Do you have a phone?". I said, "Yes, sure". I passed my phone to the older male. I saw him dial a number on the phone. While he was dialling I said, "Is everything alright?". He said, "There's a body".

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- 6. The older male walked away while talking on the phone. The younger male and I followed the older male along the track. After walking about 100 metres I saw a body face down to the left of the track. The body appeared to be that of a male. The body was face down with the upper body lying on the grass and the legs lying onto the dirt path. I continued walking towards the body with the younger male.
- 7. I walked up to the body and looked closely at it. The body was clothed in ugg boots, a long pair of navy blue jogging pants with a white strip along the legs. The pants were pulled down over his buttocks, exposing a black g-string. The hands of the body were pinned under the torso. I could see a large amount of what appeared to be blood soaked into the clothing around the torso of the body. The head appeared purple and I could see a dark coloured baseball cap partially sitting on the back of the head.
- 8. I moved away from the body and across to the other side of the dirt path. I saw the older male approach. He was still on the phone at this time. I saw him use his foot to kick the leg of the body. I began to hear sirens at this stage. The older male walked to the other side of the path and stood with me. I saw a male and female uniform police officer approaching from the opposite end of the path.
- 9. I saw the police officers look at the body. I was standing with both males. The female officer approached me and began to take my details.

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