



NEW SOUTH WALES POLICE

Version 4.2 (07/05)

## STATEMENT OF A WITNESS

**In the matter of:** Robbery with wounding  
**Place:** Surry Hills LAC  
**Date:** 11<sup>th</sup> October 2009

**Name:** 1359

## 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. In making this statement I have referred to a map for Lang Road, Centennial Park which was shown to me on the internet by DSC DAVIS. I am the subscriber for an Optus postpaid account in my name for service [REDACTED] which I was using with my black coloured Apple iPhone 8GB with IMEI [REDACTED]. This phone is valued at \$600 which was part of a contract. It was insured through Optus. At the time of this statement I have supplied police with a copy of the contract paperwork for the mobile phone and service.
4. About 7.30pm on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2009 I attended a friends residence at Randwick for a party. I stayed at this premises until about 2.00am on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2009. Over this period I consumed about one shot glass of tequila and six 375ml bottles of Carlton Draught beer. I was slightly to moderately affected by alcohol.
5. I walked from Randwick towards Surry Hills, along Anzac Parade. I was on the phone to my friend, Hayley [REDACTED] from Anzac Parade, and I continued to talk to her as I walked. I had initially called her and talked for about ten minutes. She called me back about five minutes later whilst I was still on Anzac Parade. I turned into Lang Road and walked along the right side of the roadway, along the footpath, towards Oxford Street. I continued to talk to Hayley on my phone.

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6. About 2.30am I was about fifteen metres short of Mitchell Street, Centennial Park where the last roundabout is located before meeting Oxford Street. This area wasn't well lit and was fairly dark. I was just walking under a large tree which cast a further shadow over the area. At this time I saw a shadow of a person moving up behind me, from my left side. I saw the person walking quickly and heard their footsteps. I turned my head to the left and saw a male move past me, within thirty centimetres of my left shoulder.
7. This male moved to stand about thirty centimetres from me, to my front, facing me. I stopped walking at this time. I had still been talking to Hayley on my mobile phone, which was held in my left hand to my left ear. The male began to yell something at me but I couldn't understand what was said. I then saw the male was holding a silver coloured object in his left hand. The object appeared to be similar to a knife, with a silver coloured blade that was about ten centimetres in length. The male brought his left hand up quickly past my chest area and then waved the silver coloured object/knife back and forth aggressively in front of my face and chest. I felt threatened by the male and feared for my safety. I believed I was going to be stabbed. I stepped backwards and felt my back touch the Centennial Park fence. I held out my left hand with my phone towards the male as I moved back. I felt my phone taken forcefully from my left hand. I think I said, "Just take it." The male then ran down Lang Road towards Anzac Parade. I didn't see the male further.
8. I felt shocked about what had just happened to me. I was confused and didn't know I was injured. I moved from the footpath to the roadway of Lang Road and walked towards Oxford Street. I saw a taxi cab at the intersection of Oxford and Lang Road but when I told the male driver where I wanted to go, he drove away. I then walked home to my residence from this location. Throughout the walk I felt dazed and confused. My left arm felt tingling and numb. I wasn't aware at that time that I was injured. As I walked I tried to recall what the silver object was. I believed at the time of the incident that it was a knife but as I wasn't aware of my injury I wasn't sure.
9. I got back home and spoke to my parents. When I entered my home I was holding my left arm which was still numb. My parents took me into the bathroom and removed my jacket, a tshirt and button up business style shirt. I saw that I had a laceration to my upper left arm which was bleeding freely. There was also a large amount of blood on my business shirt and inside the sleeve of my jacket. The laceration was going down the arm, which had penetrated the skin.

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The cut was open and exposed. My father called the police and my mother cleaned the laceration. I rang Hayley and spoke to her about what had happened. Whilst waiting for police to attend my father contacted Optus to report my phone stolen and to put a bar on the account.

- 10. Police attended a short time later and spoke to me. They looked at my arm and then called for an ambulance. A short time later an ambulance arrived and treated me. Hayley also arrived at my house around this time. I was then taken to St. Vincents Hospital for further treatment. At the hospital I had an xray for my arm. I also received two sutures for my laceration, along with a tetanus injection. I spoke to further police whilst at the hospital. I gave a version of what had happened to an officer, who recorded this version in his notebook. I then signed this version. My father, [REDACTED] was present at that time. I also signed a permission form for police to take photographs of my arm. Police also took my jacket and two shirts as evidence. Police then left and I later left the hospital to return home.
- 11. I was later contacted by Detective DAVIS of Surry Hills Police. About 3.00pm this date I attended the Surry Hills police station to provide a statement to police.
- 12. I would describe the male as being about 25 to 35 years old, about 180cm tall, of a medium build, wearing a black coloured hooded jacket with centre zip, with the hood up over his head covering most of his head. I couldn't see his face under the shadow of the hood. He was also wearing dark pants. I cant recall anything further about the male. I believe the male was holding a silver coloured knife at the time of the incident.
- 13. I was wearing a black Kathmandu goretex style zip up jacket valued at \$500. This jacket now has a small cut to the left upper arm and is soiled by blood. The goretex fabric is no longer water repellent due to the cut. I was also wearing a blue long sleeve business shirt. This shirt is valued at \$50. It is also damaged, having a cut to the left upper arm area and is soiled by blood. I was also wearing a blue tshirt valued at \$40. It is soiled by blood. I was also wearing blue jeans and black Vans shoes.
- 14. At no time did I give anyone permission to assault me or to take my property. At the time of the incident I was fearful for my safety and believed I was going to be stabbed. I have not seen the male prior to the incident.

Witness:   
S. DAVIS  
asc  
11/10/09

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