

New South Wales Police

STATEMENT in matter of:
Serious Assault - Darlinghurst

Place: Surry Hills Police Station
Date: 23 December, 1993

Name: WALKER, David Anthony
Address: [REDACTED] Maroubra 2035
Occupation: Security Guard

Tel No.: [REDACTED]

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.

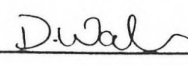
2. My age is 22.

3. I am a security guard with Eastside Security. I have been a security guard with Eastside for the past 2 weeks. Prior to this I was a soldier posted at Puckapunyal, Victoria. My duties with Eastside Security involve the internal security of The Court House Hotel, which is at the corner of Bourke Street and Oxford Street, Darlinghurst. I work two shifts a week, Tuesday and Wednesday, and my usual hours at the Hotel are from 12.00am to 7.00am.

4. At 12.00a on 23 December, 1993 I started my shift at the Court House Hotel. When I arrived the Hotel was reasonably busy. During my shift I walked around the bar area of the Hotel and out onto Oxford and Bourke Streets.

5. About 2.30am this morning I was standing on the door and I was checking i.d.s of people coming in to the Hotel. I was also stopping people from taking drinks out of the Hotel.

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6. About this time I noticed these three guys come around from Oxford Street into Bourke Street. It attracted my attention because they looked young and I thought they might try and sneak in the door. Also my attention was drawn because the three guys were of a similar appearance to a guy I refused entry to the Hotel the night before. These three were not the same person as the guy from the night before but they dressed and looked similar.

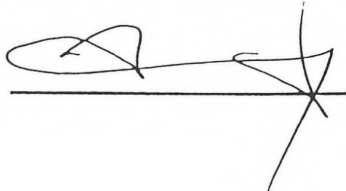
7. I was standing at the first entrance to the Hotel in Bourke Street when the three guys passed closest to me. I didn't take much notice of what they were wearing at this stage but I did notice they were all dressed the same in baggy jeans and baggy shirts. One of them was wearing mustard coloured long baggy jeans and a red cap. They were all around 17 years old, about 5'7" or 8", and they looked half caste of some sought. They didn't seem to be aboriginal but they looked a bit like maoris.

8. The three walked past me and I watched them until they passed by the second entrance to the Hotel which is also in Bourke Street. When they passed this entrance I turned my attention back to the Hotel.

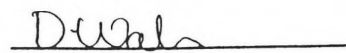
9. About 3.30am I was aware that the Kinsela's nightclub next door was closed. At this time I had stepped out of the Hotel into Bourke Street and was looking towards Kinsela's when I saw one of the three maori looking guys I had seen earlier in the night out front of the entrance alcove to Kinsela's.

10. This was the guy who was wearing mustard coloured long baggy jeans and the red cap. He was also wearing a baggy T-shirt which came down to his thighs he had a dark complexion possibly maori, about 17 years old, thin build, about 5'7" or 5'8".

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11. When I noticed the guy with the red cap another head popped out of the entrance to Kinselas. This guy was also dark complexion with black hair. (I believe that the guy with the red cap had mentioned to the second guy that I was watching him.) Because I knew Kinselas was closed I walked out to the edge of the footpath to see what the guys were doing. When I got there I the two guys had ducked back into the alcove entrance at Kinselas so I couldn't see them.

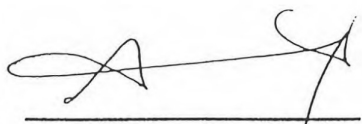
12. I then walked straight back into the Hotel and got my portable radio to contact my radio control as our security also patrols Kinsela's. Before contacting radio control I went back outside to see what the guys were doing and I saw that they were gone. I then returned my attention to the Hotel.

13. About 4 or 4.30am this morning I saw a Police car pull up outside the front of the Hotel and the Police Officer spoke to me. (Asked me how long I had been at the Hotel and if I knew anything about a person getting rolled out the front of Kinsela's) Not long after this a large amount of Police came to the corner of Bourke and Campbell Streets.

14. I continued working and I saw my boss Bruce SHEPHERD speaking to the Police. They called me over and I had another conversation with the Police about what I had seen during the night. I then continued my shift and finished at 7.00am.

15. About 10.30am today I attended Surry Hills Detectives and had a conversation with Constable McCARTHY and made a statement.

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D.A. McCARTHY

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