

New South Wales PoliceSTATEMENT in matter of:
Death of William ALLEN.

Place: Redfern Police Station

Date: 11th JANUARY, 1989

Name: Harry John BERWICK [REDACTED] 54
(Surname in capitals)

Address: [REDACTED] (h) Tel. No. [REDACTED]

Occupation: School Teacher. STATES:-

I am aware that if I sign this statement and any part of it is untrue to my knowledge I may be liable to punishment.

I am a single man, 34 years of age and I am a School Teacher by occupation currently working at [REDACTED].

About 6.30pm on Wednesday the 28th December, 1988 I left home in my motor vehicle and went to a friends house at Randwick. I left there about 10pm and drove along Wyndham Street, Redfern, left into Power Avenue and right into Park Road. These streets with Buckland Street surround Alexandria Park. Just past the toilet block which was on my right I saw a male person on the roadway just ahead of my car. He had just stepped off the kerb and noticed him waving and signalling. I stopped my vehicle and he came to the passenger side and shouted out, "I've been bashed" and he then said either 'can you help me' or 'drive me home'. I noticed that his face was covered in blood. I lent across and opened the front passenger door for him. He sat in the passenger seat and I saw his hands were covered in blood also. I lent across and closed his door for him. I commenced to drive off towards Buckland Street and I said, "This is a very dangerous place to be and you should report it to the Police." I also said, "Did you see who did it." He said, "[REDACTED]". They bashed and kicked me whilst I was on the ground, the bastards, and they took my money and keys" He continued to direct me to his home and I kept imploring him to contact the Police. He replied, "That's what you expect when you do the beat." I believed him to be a homosexual and by his comment believed that he frequented that particular area of Alexandria Park which is known to be frequented by homosexuals.

I drove into Copeland and then into Newton Street and stopped the vehicle at the kerb outside what I now know as being No. [REDACTED]. This was a green coloured weatherboard house. Before getting out of the car he said, "I'll have to get a spare set of keys and go back to get my car." I leant across, Opened his door, he got out and I drove off and went home.

I am almost certain that this man was wearing white coloured shorts. I could smell alcohol on his breath. I noticed that he was bleeding from the nose. He was most lucid in his speech and did not appear to be outraged by the incident.

Witness: [REDACTED] Signature: [REDACTED]

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When I first saw this man in Park Road I did notice a small light coloured sedan parked opposite the toilet block.

I declare that no part of this statement is untrue to my knowledge. I know that it may be used in legal proceedings. It accurately sets out the evidence that I would be prepared to give in Court as a witness if necessary.

Witness: *[Handwritten Signature]* Signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*