

New South Wales Police

STATEMENT in matter of: Place: Redfern Police Station
Death of William ALLEN
 Date: 2nd January, 1989.

Name: David James OLIVER. [REDACTED].60
 (Surname in capitals)
 Address: [REDACTED] Tel. No. _____
 Occupation: Carpenter. 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, a carpenter by occupation and self employed. About two weeks ago in the afternoon I walked out the front of my house when I saw this man whom I later found out that his name was Bill, standing at the front of my house with two dogs. He said, "Are you the carpenter?" I said, "Yes." He said, "Do you want to do a job for me?" I said, "I cannot get over there for a couple of days." We agreed that I would see him at his house at [REDACTED] Newton Street, Alexandria about 5pm the following Monday, the 19th December, 1988. I went over that day and gave him a quote for renovations to the side of his house. This was agreed to and I commenced work on the house the following Saturday.

I completed the work to Bill's house on Wednesday morning about 11am, but Bill was not there at the time to my knowledge. I had seen him the night before, Tuesday and told him, "There's only three hours work to do on the house. I'll finish it off tomorrow morning." He said, "I'll be sleeping, don't wake me up".

When I finished the job I knocked on the front door but got no response. I left but I did notice that his car was parked out the front of his house. Sometime that same day in the afternoon I returned to his house to get the payment for work done to his house but again got no response to my knocking. The car was still there. I did notice that the light was 'on' in the hallway of the house. This I could see through the glass panel of the front door. During the remainder of the day I drove past his house but did not see him. I returned again about 8pm that night. The light was still 'on' but no person answered the door. I also rang Bill's house several times through the night up until about 11pm but with no answer.

I returned to Bill's house about 7.45am on Thursday morning, the 29th December, 1988, with no answer and then again at about 12.10pm that same day. After getting no response again I went to a neighbor next door, spoke to him briefly and then went to the other neighbor on the other side of Bill's house. I spoke with them and the man went down the side passageway of Bills house and came back shortly after and then rang the Police

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of the house and I saw the man known to me as Bill kneeling down over the side of the bathtub. I noticed that he was only wearing a singlet type top with no pants or underpants. I also noticed blood in the bath and I think the tap was running.

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 if necessary as a witness.

Witness: *Maudey D. S.* Signature: *David Oliver*