

New South Wales Police

STATEMENT in matter of:  
Death of William ALLEN

Place: Police Station, Redfern  
Date: 22 January, 1989

Name: Paul TAYLOR  
(Surname in capitals)  
Address: Police station Redfern. Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation: Constable of Police. STATES:-

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

2. Approximately 12.50pm on Thursday 29 December, 1989 in company with Constable Mitchell I attended [redacted] Newton Street Alexandria in regard to information I received from Redfern Police Station. Upon arrival I spoke to David Oliver of [redacted] who told me something.

3. I then entered [redacted] Newton Street Alexandria via the side gate and walked along the northern footpath along side the premises to the rear of the premises. Whilst walking along I noticed what appeared to be dried drops of blood on the footpath leading from the front gate to the rear of the premises. At the rear of the premises I noticed that the back door was open and the bathroom window was also open and there appeared to be dried blood on the frame of the window.

4. I then looked in the bathroom window where I saw the deceased who I now know to be William Emanuel Allen, born 14 August, 1938, kneeling alongside the bath and his head and arms were hanging in the bathtub.

Witness: [Signature] Signature: [Signature]

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At the time the water was running from the bath tap and there was blood coming from the deceased head into the bath. At the time the deceased was only dressed in a T/shirt.

5. I then entered the house via the back door which was open and the screen door was closed but not locked. I walked through the house and noticed drops of dried blood through out the house leading from the bathroom to the front bedroom, The bed in the front bedroom had dried blood on the covers.

6. I then returned to the front of the premises where I spoke to David Oliver who stated that he was a builder who had done some work for William Allen and had found the body when he entered the rear of the premises to collect his money. David Oliver stated that he did not enter the house. I then spoke to Ronald Sigsworth of [REDACTED] Newton Street, Alexandria who stated he had not heard or seen anything unusual happening at the deceased premises.

7. The search of the house showed no apparent signs of forced entry and nothing appeared to have been taken from the premises. Approximately 1.45pm I spoke to Detective Sergeant Saunders and informed him what had happened.

8. About 4.50pm Doctor Hollinger a Government Medical Officer attended the scene and I was informed by Doctor Hollinger that the body had been dead for about 24 hours and there was a possibility that the deceased had been bashed at some stage as there was large swelling around

*M. Saunders, Det. Sgt.*

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the eye's and there was a possible fractured jaw.

9. I then accompanied Robert Gannon of ■ Newton Street, Alexandria into the rear of the house, where the deceased was lying and identified the body to me as William Allen of ■ Newton Street, Alexandria. Robert Gannon had known the deceased for a period of about two years.

10. Approximately 5.30pm the Government Contractors attended the scene and conveyed the body to the City Morgue. I then returned to Redfern Police Station to make further inquiries.

11. 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 which I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in Court as a witness.