

### WITNESS STATEMENT

Criminal Procedure Rules, r 16.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9

Statement of [REDACTED]

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Age if under 18    Over 18                      (if over 18 insert 'over 18')    Occupation:    Immigration Officer

This statement (consisting of: ...2 ..... pages each signed by me) 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 anything in it which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: [REDACTED] ..... Date: 24/10/2021 .....

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded  (supply witness details on rear)

I [REDACTED] have been employed as an Arrest Trained Immigration Officer since May 2006, by the Home Office. I currently serve with the [REDACTED] and Enforcement Team.

On the evening of Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2021, I was on duty in full uniform.

When with Officers of the [REDACTED] and Enforcement I attended Noble House, 43 Osborne Road, Portsmouth Hampshire PO5 3LS.

I entered the premise at approximately 20:40

I was the second officer through the main door.

I had been tasked with Officer [REDACTED] to proceed directly to the kitchen area.

I was proceeding toward the kitchen when a male I recognised as Mr ALBERT CHOI approached us waving his hands loudly stating 'You cannot be here you have no warrant' I stated I was an Immigration officer and the Officer behind would speak with him, I gestured to the Officer In Charge (OIC)

[REDACTED]. I moved to step past Mr Choi who had now put his hand on my chest. I requested Mr Choi to remove his hand and allow me past. He did not and continued to shout 'You have no right you cannot be here on Saturday night' I tilted round him and continued to the kitchen area.

I reached the kitchen which was full of staff, two waiting staff, one female and one male, three kitchen staff, two males and a female, both males were wearing Kitchen smocks under their aprons. One of the males was cooking on the grill, one was in the far rear corner preparing ingredients the female was

Signature: [REDACTED] ..... Signature witnessed by: .....

Continuation of Statement of [REDACTED]

initially at the sink. I had my warrant card in my right hand and had just shown it to the staff stating loud enough to be heard 'Immigration Officer'

I turned sideways to completely enter the kitchen. A hand came from my left gripping my right wrist, this was Mr CHOI who now shouted 'You cannot speak to them. No one must speak to them they have no right say nothing. You cannot be here' I rotated my right wrist so my palm was now upwards, I extended my left hand engaging Mr CHOI's right upper arm sufficient to break his grip I stated 'Let go do not grab me again'

Officer In Charge [REDACTED] was at this point able to gain Mr CHOI's attention

I began trying to engage with the staff. The male waiter stated he was unsure what he should do because the Boss didn't want anyone speaking to us. I explained we were Immigration Officers and were using a power of entry under the licensing act.

There followed several minutes where the Kitchen staff would not engage with us through [REDACTED] telephone interpreters.

Mr CHOI returned to the kitchen several times insisting he should interpret for the staff as in his view the telephone interpreters were not up to the task. He continued to engage directly with the staff in a language I believe to be [REDACTED]

Once we had ascertained the identities of the kitchen workers, we were able to verify that none had permission to live or work in the United Kingdom.

Signature: .. [REDACTED] .....

Signature witnessed by: .....

**Witness contact details**

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Name of witness: [REDACTED]  
 Home address: [REDACTED]  
 Email address: [REDACTED] Mobile: [REDACTED]  
 Home telephone number: [REDACTED] Work telephone number: [REDACTED]  
 Preferred means of contact (specify details for vulnerable/intimidated witnesses only):  
 Gender: [REDACTED] Date and place of birth: Manchester [REDACTED]  
 Former name: [REDACTED] Ethnicity Code (16 + 1): [REDACTED]

**DATES OF WITNESS NON-AVAILABILITY:**

**Witness care**

- a) Is the witness willing to attend court? Yes  No  If 'No', include reason(s) on form MG6.
- b) What can be done to ensure attendance? .....
- c) Does the witness require a Special Measures Assessment as a vulnerable or intimidated witness? (youth under 18; witness with mental disorder, learning or physical disability; or witness in fear of giving evidence or witness is the complainant in a sexual offence case)  
 Yes  No  If 'Yes', submit MG2 with file in anticipated not guilty, contested or indictable only cases.
- d) Does the witness have any particular needs? Yes  No  If 'Yes', what are they? (Disability, healthcare, childcare, transport, language difficulties, visually impaired, restricted mobility or other concerns?)

**Witness Consent (for witness completion)**

- a) The Victim Personal Statement scheme (victims only) has been explained to me: Yes  No
- b) I have been given the Victim Personal Statement leaflet Yes  No
- c) I have been given the leaflet "Giving a witness statement to the Home Office..." Yes  No
- d) I consent to police having access to my medical record(s) in relation to this matter (obtained in accordance with local practice) Yes  No  N/A
- e) I consent to my medical record in relation to this matter being disclosed to the defence: Yes  No  N/A
- f) I consent to the statement being disclosed for the purposes of civil proceedings if applicable, e.g. child care proceedings, CICA Yes  No  N/A
- g) **Child witness cases only.** I have had the provision regarding reporting restrictions explained to me. Yes  No  N/A   
 I would like the CPS to apply for reporting restrictions on my behalf. Yes  No  N/A

*I understand that the information recorded above will be passed on to the Witness Service, which offers help and support to witnesses pre-trial and at court.*

Signature of witness:..... PRINT NAME: [REDACTED]  
 Signature of parent/guardian/appropriate adult:..... PRINT NAME: .....

Statement taken by (print name): [REDACTED] Station: [REDACTED]  
 Time and place statement taken: 0330 24/10/21 [REDACTED]

