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WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; MC Rules 1981, r.70)

Statement of: ALDRIDGE, LESLIE PATRICK

Age if under 18: OVER 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: STAFF NURSE

This statement (consisting of 2 page(s) 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 which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Signed: L ALDRIDGE

Date: 06/05/2003

I am the above named person and I live at the address overleaf. I qualified as an enrolled nurse in 1981 with the Royal Navy and as a Staff Nurse in 1991. Having left the Navy in 1991 I worked at various hospitals. From 01/4/02 (01/04/2002) - February 2003 I worked on nights at Sultan Ward of the Gosport War Memorial Hospital.

I didn't overly enjoy my time at the GWMH, although patient care was reasonable and I never saw anything that caused me serious concern, I found that there was a culture that would not change. There seemed to be little support from doctors and management. It was very difficult to bring in new ideas about best practice for patient care.

Although I didn't have any concerns about syringe drivers or the drugs used, I had to request a course to be trained about the use of the drivers.

The whole environment was that of day centre as opposed to a hospital. There was a lack of acceptance to professional change. I always felt the odd one out because I had come from busy hospitals and was used to change.

Signed: L ALDRIDGE
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Signature Witnessed by: