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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: WILLIAMS, ESTHER MARIE ELLA

Age if under 18: OVER 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: RETIRED 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: E WILLIAMS

Date: 22/01/2003

I am the person named above and live at the address shown on the attached form.

Until I retired two years ago I was a nurse for over thirty years.

When I started nursing in 1975 I was a State Enrolled Nurse and when I retired I was a Registered General Nurse. In 1988 I commenced work at Gosport War Memorial Hospital. Although I was mainly based at the Redclyffe annexe unit, I spent a great deal of the time away from it on either training courses or working at other units in the hospital.

The Redclyffe annexe unit was for elderly patients, male and female, who were in the main bedridden and in a poor state of health.

I was happy working there despite the work, until late 1990 when sister GREEN retired. After she left a new management regime was put in place and because of this morale plummeted. This was nothing to do with the treatment of patients, it was solely due to the 'new broom' style of management was unsettling.

In June 1991 I left the hospital and went to work at the St Christopher Hospital in Fareham.

In regard to syringe drivers I attended a 'MacMillan Nurses Syringe Drivers Course'. The drivers were used at the Redclyffe annexe whilst I worked there. This was when they were 'required by the patient' and usually prescribed by Dr BARTON, who was the regular doctor for

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Signature Witnessed by:

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the annexe. When I say 'required by the patient' it was when a patients health started to deteriorate and were in great pain. Then a syringe driver was used and put in place. Whilst I worked at the unit I was satisfied that the drivers were used correctly.

The decision to use a syringe driver was up to Dr BARTON and they were not used in every case.

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