



WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967, S.9 MC Act 1980, SS. 5A (3a) and 5B MC Rules 1981, R. 70)

STATEMENT OF:	BRADLEY STEPHEN WILLIAMS	
OCCUPATION:	ADMINISTRATION & INTELLIGENCE ASSISTANT	
AGE IF UNDER 18 (IF OVER 18 INSERT "OVER 18")	OVER 18	

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 WILLFULLY STATED ANYTHING WHICH I KNOW TO BE FALSE OR DO NOT BELIEVE TO BE TRUE.

DATED THE 6TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2013

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I am an Administration and Intelligence Assistant for Torbay Council and I have been employed in this position for 5 months, but have been employed by Torbay Council since September 2011. On Sunday 3rd November 2013, I was finishing a night out in Torquay with my girlfriend and friends, and at approximately 03:10 hrs, I was stood waiting for a taxi at the taxi rank on Vaughan Parade, next to Prezzo, and I had been waiting for approximately 15 minutes. There were no taxis present on the taxi rank, and while I was waiting for a taxi to arrive I was watching the traffic coming from the clock tower roundabout direction, when all of a sudden a vehicle with a taxi sign on the roof, vehicle registration WG08 BFY, stopped suddenly in between the two traffic lanes just past the traffic lights on the seaward side of the strand, then another vehicle with a taxi sign on the roof, vehicle registration HN60 KYE came past him and then pulled onto the taxi rank. Once on the rank I could see that the licence plate number of vehicle registration HN60 KYE, was number 019. The people at the front of the queue then approached licence number 019 and walked towards the car and were being directed by the security guards that were marshalling the taxi rank. Then the driver from vehicle registration WG08 BFY got out of his vehicle and approached the driver's window of licence number 019. I did not hear the conversation between the two drivers, but whilst I was watching the incident, one of the security guards went over to the drivers window and stood along side the driver from vehicle registration WG08 BFY. The driver of

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vehicle registration WG08 BFY then started to walk back to his vehicle which was still parked in the middle of the two traffic lanes. The driver got half way back towards his vehicle and then turned around and came back to the drivers window of licence number 019 and I then witnessed what I believe to be a punch being thrown into the vehicle from the driver of vehicle registration WG08 BFY. I do not know if he made contact with the driver of licence number 019, but I could see through the car windows from where I was stood, that the driver of vehicle registration WG08 BFY, threw his arm into the car. After this had happened, the security guard that was stood at the drivers window, grabbed the driver of vehicle registration number WG08 BFY, and restrained him and took him to the floor. The second security guard came over to assist the first security guard who had detained the driver, I did not hear any conversations between the security guards and the driver. The driver of licence number 019 then left the taxi rank after passengers had got into the vehicle, but before he did leave the taxi rank, I took a picture of the registration number and licence number of this vehicle and I exhibit this as BW/01. I then went over to vehicle registration number WG08 BFY which was still in the middle of the two traffic lanes, and I took a picture of this vehicles registration number and licence number which was 030 and I exhibit this as BW/02. I took these pictures on my mobile phone, as I work in the same department as the taxi licensing officers and I was going to report the incident when I returned to work on Tuesday 5th November 2013. I then went back to the taxi rank and two police officers were present, they had the driver of licence number 030 near prezzo on Vaughan Parade, Torquay and was talking to him. I approached one of the police officers and explained that I had witnessed the incident, at which point he took my details in case they wished to contact me to take a statement. I then reported the incident to Shaun Rackley, a Licensing Enforcement Officer at Torbay Council on Tuesday 5th November 2013.



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