

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF STEPHEN JOSEPH THORNBURY

AGE OF WITNESS[If over 21 enter 'over 21'] : OVER 21

I declare that this statement consisting of 3 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 at a preliminary enquiry or at the trial of any person, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated this 28 day of May 1997

DONALD KEYS DC
SIGNATURE OF MEMBER

by whom statement was recorded or received

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On Saturday 26th April 1997 at 6 pm I commenced work as a Part Time barman in Jameson's Bar, Thomas Street, Portadown. The last customers left the premises at approximately 1 am on Sunday 27th April. Left on the premises with me was Beverley Irwin, Derek Lyttle and Julie Sherwood. I cleaned up with the other staff and whilst I was doing this Beverley came into the lounge and said there was a crowd coming down Thomas Street. I assumed that these people were coming from St Patrick's Hall further up Thomas Street. I heard fellas shouting but I couldn't say what they were shouting as they walked past the front of bar. I didn't have a view of them because of the stain glass and the window shutters were down, that's the blinds on the inside. As these people walked past the bar the windows were banged. This is something that happens nearly every week. The shutters were banged also. I carried on with the cleaning up and I looked out the side door of the lounge about 5 of 10 minutes later because I could hear a commotion at the end of Thomas Street with High Street. Beverley was with me at this time. I only looked out for a short time and I saw a crowd of people at the bottom of the street, there was a lot of shouting going on, there were two groups of people

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squaring up to each other. I didn't know anyone in the groups. I was 100-150 yards away and I only popped my head out and back in again. I worked on behind the bar when I came back in, I think Beverley came back in again also. I could hear the commotion getting louder and I went down to the toilet windows and looked out. It was a short time after I had looked out through the doors, I can't say how long it would have been. When I looked out the toilet window I think all the staff were there, when I first looked out I saw two boys lying on the street, one was lying in front of Eastwoods clothes shop, the other was lying at the end of Thomas Street nearer to the Bakery. I seen the police in the middle of the road. There was a landrover on the Woodhouse Street side and there were people behind the rover on the Woodhouse Street side. There was only about two policemen there, one may have been a woman, they were trying to keep the two groups apart. The other group were on the upper side of Thomas Street, that is towards St Mark's Church. There was a woman with the fella who was lying in front of Eastwoods. She was kneeling down beside him. There was lots of shouting going on between the groups. I looked out for about 5 minutes and then I went back into the bar. We were planning to go home but we didn't want to leave until everything was quietened down. I could shouting going on and I went down again and looked out the toilet still hear window. I think Julie was with me at the time. I saw an ambulance on the street and the fella that was nearer to Eastwoods being put into the back of it. I was paying more attention to the ambulance and I don't know what was going on then. I went back into the bar again about a minute or so later and it was shortly after this

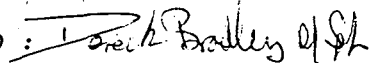
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I went back again and looked out the toilet window. I saw a policeman with a baton gun and a few others in the middle of the street. They were facing up towards the Church, they were moving a crowd back. I felt it was safe enough to leave the bar and we left at approximately 2 30 am.

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CHECKED AND CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY OF THE ORIGINAL SIGNED

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derek Bradley" followed by a stylized initial "SH".