

**STATEMENT OF WITNESS**

**STATEMENT OF JACK CRANE**

**DATED THIS**

**DAY OF**

**2008**

I, JACK CRANE, declare that this statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that if it is tendered in evidence at the Inquiry I will 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.

1. The Inquiry has disclosed a number of documents to me. Where I make specific reference to a document in my statement I have given the number of the relevant page.
2. I am the pathologist who performed the post mortem examination of Robert Hamill on 9 May 1997. In terms of my qualifications, I hold a Bachelor of Medicine and a Bachelor of Surgery and I am a Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists. I hold a diploma in Medical Jurisprudence in Clinical Forensic Medicine and a diploma in Medical Jurisprudence in Forensic Pathology. I am a Fellow of the Faculty of Pathology of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland.
3. I conducted the post mortem examination of Robert Hamill on 9 May 1997 in the presence of a number of people including the investigating police officer Detective Inspector [REDACTED], a police photographer and a Scenes of Crime Officer (SOCO). A mortuary technician would have assisted me in conducting the post mortem. There may have been others present but I cannot recall.
4. I completed my report in the first week of November 1997. There is no time frame set down as to when the report should be submitted from the date of the autopsy. The completion of the final autopsy report is very much dependent on what other tests and investigations have to be done in respect of the case. The