

WITNESS STATEMENT

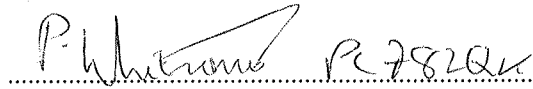
CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3)(a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1

Statement of Paul Whitcomb PC 782QK..... URN:

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Age if under 18 Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Police Officer

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 wilfully stated anything in it which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature:  Date: 13th May 2015

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded (supply witness details on rear)

On TUESDAY 12th May 2015, I was on duty in plain clothes with PC 368QK Sullivan. PC Sullivan and I are both police officers working within Brent borough police licensing unit. At around 12:45pm we attended JEEN CASH & CARRY, 306 HARROW ROAD, WEMBLEY, HA9 6LL, in order to carry out a licensing inspection. The premise is licensed for the sale of alcohol by retail twenty four hours a day, seven days a week. Upon arrival, the shop was open and alcohol on sale. I noticed two Asian males stood behind the shop counter. Both appeared to be very nervous as PC Sullivan and I identified ourselves as police officers, by producing our warrant cards. I explained that we were at the shop to carrying out a licensing inspection. The first male, who I would describe as the younger of the two, spoke very limited English. He gave me his details as Mr. Asadullah SABIR dob 01/01/1984 of 8c WILL CRESCENT, WEMBLEY, HA9. I suspect that these details are false, as there is no Will crescent in Wembley. The second male behind the counter could speak no English at all. However he kept saying to me, 'Helper, helper'. I took this to mean that he was not a member of staff and just helping out. He did not give me his personal details. Neither of these men was able to produce a personal licence to me. This breaches condition eight (8) of the premises licence, which states that a personal licence holder must be present on the premises at all times throughout the sale of alcohol. A few minutes later, a female who I know as the shop's DPS arrived. Her name is Ms. Renuka THUSHYANTHAN. I requested to see her personal licence, but she was unable to produce one. She stated that she believed it was at home. Both Part A and part B of her premises licence was displayed on the wall behind the counter. I asked to inspect these documents, which she handed over. Soon after this, the premises licence holder, Mr. Kannan THANGARAS attended the shop. He produced his personal licence to me upon my request. He had failed to inform the local authority of a change of address, as the address on

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the licence was different to his current home address. I pointed this out to him. With regard to his two members of staff, he confirmed that neither currently holds a personal licences. Mr KANNAN explained that Mr. SABIR was on a two day trial and that the older male was not a member of staff at all. He was unable to produce any paperwork with these two members of staff details written on. In fact, he claimed not to know the name of the younger male at all! I asked to see his statement of authority. He was unable to produce one, which breaches mandatory condition lettered (b) which states that every supply of alcohol must be either made or authorised by a holder of a personal licence. PC SULLIVAN and I inspected their alcohol stock and this was satisfactory. I then asked Ms. THUSHYANTHAN to show me that her CCTV system operates correctly. The CCTV was displaying on an LCD screen by the main entrance. However, due to a defective mouse and no other way to operate the hard drive, she was unable play back any CCTV footage at all. This breaches condition one (1) and two (2) of their premises licence, which states that the CCTV system must be in a working condition and should be made available to police on request. On further inspection I noticed that there was no sign reading, 'No proof of age - No sale' on display at the point of sale. This breaches condition number five (5) of their premises licence which stipulates that such a sign must be displayed. This concluded our visit, which I documented and then left the shop.

P. Whiston / A. Moran

Signature: *PA Moran* Signature witnessed by: