

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF: COLIN FRANCIS DUFFY

Name

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statement
has been
written.

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 15 day of October 1997

P146

Colin Duffy

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER by whom
statement was recorded or received

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In relation to what was said about my Solicitor during interviews at Gough Police Office in June I think it needs to be put into context. The nature of my questioning from I was arrested was conducted in an abusive fashion. I wasn't being questioned about anything specific and Detectives were basically putting to me that I killed these two Police Officers. There was nothing of a specific nature in relation to anything of an evidential nature or anything relating to a witness. This continued up until the second last interview. In relation to the specific point at issue here, ie what was said in relation to my Solicitor, I was left under no illusion as to the implication of what he was saying and that being that my Solicitor in some way was partial and that she would have in some way condoned the specific allegations which were being put to me which were that my Solicitor was 'proud' of what I had done. The Officer who said this was Detective Constable P121. I've had previous experience of dealing with him. He's around about 5' 10", broad build, fat even, clean shaven. For the record he was part of a

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previous case, or previous cases, against me. He was involved in the case of a murder of an Ex UDR Sergeant called Lynas. The other Detective present when this was said was Detective Constable P127. He's 5' 10", stout build, black hair. That was all that was said in relation to the Solicitor. My recollection of the specific interview isn't too good. What was specifically said when it was put to me that my Solicitor was proud of what I had done, preceding that similar reference was made to quote "Was your wife proud of you. Was your mother proud of you." This was also said by Detective Constable P121. The reason why these comments weren't reported during interview was because I wished at the end of the interview to consult with my Solicitor in relation to what had been said and what course of action would be best. I can't recall readily the interview notes but I don't think it's a relevant point that I should have read them because I wouldn't have thought that the Detective taking the notes would be stupid enough to note the particular comments that were made. As regards the rest of what I said in my statement dated 25 June 1997 it shows that notes taken during interview aren't necessarily a true and accurate account of what I said during interview. I know it was Detective Constable P117 who was doing the writing just prior to my speaking to the Custody Sergeant. The references I made about delay and seeing my Solicitor on the evening of the 24th were made because I thought the delay was unreasonable from my request until me actually seeing my Solicitor. I objected to the fact that interviews continued after I had requested a legal consultation. With regard to what I said about an alleged conversation between

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Detective Constable **P149** and myself in the corridor. I think I've covered that in my second statement. This conversation didn't happen and I'm very concerned that lies were told and allegations made which were totally without truth. In relation to my being charged, in Lurgan Barracks when informed that I was to be charged I requested my Solicitor to be present. This request was ignored and on being charged I made reference to the fact that I had been denied the opportunity of having my Solicitor present. This was made to Detective Inspector Monteith, who was the person who actually did charge me. I also complained about the manner in which the RUC conveyed me from the front car park in Lurgan Barracks down to the cell area. This issue is that I was handcuffed behind my back and that a particular RUC man proceeded to assault me by forcefully pushing my hands further up my back. I have made a complaint. The person who assaulted me, I took his number and gave it to the Sergeant in the MSU. An actual statement of complaint was made by myself. This was a uniformed officer who assaulted me. All relevant information was given to the Sergeant. I had injuries to both wrists.

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