

Witness Statement

(CJ Act 1967, s9; MC Act 1980, ss 5A(3)(a) and 5B, MC Rules 1981, r 70)



Statement of Stephen BRADSHAW

Age if under 18 Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18')

This statement (consisting of _____ 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 in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated the 22 day of November 2006

Signature

I have been employed by Royal Mail Group (formally known as the Post Office and Consignia) for 28 years. I am employed as an Investigator by Post Office Ltd, at Liverpool Mail Centre and my duties include making enquiries into crimes and suspected crimes at Post Offices. On 31st May 2006, I spoke with Miss Skinner on the telephone. Miss Skinner agreed to attend a tape-recorded interview on 1st June. The purpose of the interview and her legal rights were explained to Miss Skinner, she replied that she wanted to get it sorted. A notebook entry of this conversation was made and I now produce this as exhibit SB/1.

On 1st June, I was present with Diane Matthews while Janet Skinner, the sub postmaster from North Bransholme Post Office Branch was interviewed. The interview commenced at 12.00, but the tape machine became faulty. The interview then took place at Bransholme Police Station. The interview was tape-recorded and commenced at 13.27 hours and ended at 15.32 hours. The Master tape seals (043366, 043367 and 043368) were sealed in my presence.

Signature _____

Signature witnessed by _____