

**WITNESS STATEMENT**

Criminal Procedure Rules, r27.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s.9; Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5b

Statement of: THORNE, OLIVER THOMAS SCOTT

Age if under 18: OVER 18 Occupation: FORENSIC SCIENTIST  
(if over 18 insert 'over 18') GRAPHOLOGIST

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This statement (consisting of page(s) 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.

Signature: Date: 17/10/2015

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

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Qualifications and Experience

1. I, Oliver Thomas Scott THORNE, am a Forensic Scientist in the Questioned Documents Group at LOG Limited. I hold the degree of Bachelor of Science. I specialise in the scientific examination of questioned documents including the comparison and identification of handwriting and office printing, along with other miscellaneous examinations. I have been employed on these duties for twenty one years since 1989, and since that time I have examined many documents and associated items in both criminal and civil matters, and have given evidence in various courts on these matters on many occasions.

Laboratory Reference: QD/2015/254

Metropolitan Police Reference: OP LESBURY (URGENT)

Items Received

2. The following items were received by me on 17/10/2015 by the hand of DC Bains:

Submitted as bearing Questioned Writing:

Exhibit Ref	Seal	Description on exhibit label
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Signature:  
2010/11

Signature witnessed by:

IRS/2            MPD44028319            One (1) suicide note of Daniel P W

Submitted as bearing reference writing of Stephen Port

Exhibit Ref	Seal	LGC description (no ex label)
CRT/4	N/A	Sample of Stephen Port's handwtrng taken in custody
		15/10/15

CRT/4A	N/A	Sample of Stephen Port's handwriting taken in custody
		16/10/15

Exhibit Ref	Seal	Description on exhibit label
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TSB/7	MPSC34288639	HAND WRITTEN EVICTION LETTER SIGNED BYSTEPHEN PORT
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Scans of all of the above items were also received by secure email from DC Mark Richards prior to submission of the original items.

Submitted as bearing further reference writing of Stephen Port as scans only

Exhibit Ref	Seal	LGC description (no ex label)
MR/1	N/A	Copy of emailprisoner.com reply sheet bearing scanned copy of handwritten letter from Stephen J Port to

<b>X13</b>	message ID 4711656
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MR/2	N/A	Copy of emailprisoner.com reply sheet bearing scanned copy of handwritten letter from Stephen J Port to
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Signature:  
2010/11

Signature witnessed by:

12. In my opinion there is conclusive support for the proposition that Stephen Port wrote the questioned writing on IRS/2.

Declaration

13. I understand that my duty is to the court, I have complied with that duty and will continue to do so.

14. A full record of the work done in this case is available for inspection at the Laboratory.

15. If I am required to attend to give evidence in court then I may produce a demonstration chart showing copy examples taken from the questioned and reference writings in order to demonstrate some or the reasons for my conclusions.

16. My conclusions are based on the results of my laboratory examination and the information made available to me at this time. If any aspects of the case should change, then I am prepared to review my conclusions in the light of such changes.

17. In expressing the evidential significance of my findings, I have used the following scale of opinions:

- Conclusive
- Very strong
- Strong
- Moderately strong
- Moderate
- Weak
- inconclusive
- No support

See Appendix 1 for further opinion levels.

Signature:  
2010/11

Signature witnessed by: