

Witness Statement

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

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Statement of:



Age if under 18 (if over insert "over 18"): over 18

Occupation: Surveillance Operative

This statement (consisting of Pages(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.

Name / Signature:



Date: 29th October 2021

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded: (Supply witness details on last page)

Statement

1. I am I am employed by
2. I was instructed by attend Genesis Thai Beauty Spa, Unit 2, Nagpal House, 1 Gunthorpe Street, London, E17RG in order to conduct a test purchase task on behalf of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.
3. At approximately 13:21 hrs on the 29th October 2021 I visited Genesis Thai Beauty Spa, Unit 2, Nagpal House, 1 Gunthorpe Street, London, E17RG.
4. Upon my arrival at the premises, the door was initially locked but a female of Asian appearance inside, noticed me and opened the door welcoming me inside. Upon entering the premises, there is a small reception area with an oval reception desk to the right as you enter. Moving further in, there is a small passageway leading to two small treatment rooms on the right and one slightly larger room at the end of the passageway.
5. Once inside, this female then re-locked the main door and commented something to the effect that she was the only one there for now. This female spoke little English, but she could make herself understood.
6. The female immediately asked if I wanted a massage to which I replied that I did. This female appeared to be in her late twenties, was of a small build and had dark hair with light tints to it. She wore black flat shoes, black trousers and a black sleeveless tunic.
7. She then went behind the small reception desk and said, "how long you want? I can only do thirty minutes now or more later, someone coming soon". I said that thirty minutes would be fine and she said that it would cost £35 which I paid with 2 x £20 pound notes. She later provided 1 x £5 note as

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change just prior to the massage.

8. *The female then led me down the passageway, past the two rooms to the right and beckoned me into the larger room at the end. The room had an outward opening door which could be locked from the inside. There was a shower in one corner, a small sink, a chair and some portable low shelves with various oils and massage paraphernalia on them. In the centre of the room was a massage table with a clean paper covering, a folded towel and a decorative flower on it.*
9. *The female told me to get undressed and place my clothing on hangers behind the door or on the small chair. I undressed to my boxer shorts, laid face down on the bed and draped the towel so it covered my lower back and upper legs.*
10. *After approximately 5 minutes, the same female entered the room and apologized for keeping me waiting and repeated that she was currently working alone. She then spent a moment ensuring that I felt warm and comfortable before beginning the massage.*
11. *For the first ten to fifteen minutes, the massage was a typical one interspersed with small talk about where I was from, was I working in London and whether I frequented other Thai Massage Parlours*

She then went on to mention the recent Covid pandemic and how it had had a severely negative effect on the business. She went on to say that she had been forced to close and could not make money which had been financially difficult and emotionally stressful, especially as she still had to pay London rental rates and the associated cost of living in the City Centre.

She further opined that she is heavily reliant on 'tips' from customers who are happy with her massages. I verbally sympathized with her situation, and she momentarily stopped the massage. I heard the door being locked from the inside before she continued with the massage.

At this point she came to the side of the massage table, leaned in close to my face and said, "I give you very nice 'extra' massage yes?". I asked what is an 'extra' massage and what it would cost. She then said, "I give you very nice handjob for only £40 yes?". When I politely declined this offer, she reduced the price to £35. When this further offer was declined by me, she said, "ok darling, how much you want to pay?". I told her that I was happy with just a massage for now which she politely accepted.

Later, towards the end of the massage, she stated that her name was 'Rose' and that I should ask for her if I were to return and said that she would, "Look after me".

The massage continued for a further few minutes before she cleaned the oil from my body with a hot towel and said the massage was finished. She left the room telling me to come out when I was ready. I then dressed and left the room returning to the reception area.

The female then ushered me to the main door saying that I should come back soon and repeated that I should ask for her by name if someone else is at the reception. I thanked her again and left the premises at approximately 13:57 hrs.

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12. ~~During this visit I was offered, without any previous suggestion by myself, services of an apparent sexual nature.~~

13. I declined all offers of such services.

14. Following my visit I immediately returned to my vehicle and wrote notes on the details of the event within a document on my work-issued smart-phone on 29/10/2021. I exhibit these as GF.005

15. I believe the facts stated in this witness statement are true.

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Witness Details

Home Address: [REDACTED] Post Code: [REDACTED]
 Home Tel No: [REDACTED] Work Tel No: [REDACTED] Mobile Tel No: [REDACTED]
 Email Address: [REDACTED] Preferred means of contact: Email
 Best time of contact:
 Sex: Male Date & Place of Birth: [REDACTED] Former Name:
 Ethnicity Code (16+1): Religion / Belief:
 Dates of Witness Non-Availability:

Witness Care (please tick or type in box provided)

	Yes	No
a) Is the witness willing to attend court? (If no, include reason(s) on form MG6)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) What can be done to ensure attendance?	<input type="text"/>	
c) Does the witness require a Special Measures Assessment as a vulnerable or intimidated witness? (If Yes, submit MG2 with file)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Does the witness have any particular needs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If Yes, what are they? (Disability, healthcare, childcare, transport, disability, language difficulties, visually impaired, restricted mobility or other concerns?)		
<input type="text"/>		

Witness Consent - For Witness Completion (please tick)

	Yes	No	N/A
a) The Victim Personal Statement scheme (victims only) has been explained to me:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b) I have been given the Victim Personal Statement leaflet:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c) I have been given the leaflet "Giving A Witness Statement to the Police - What Happens Next?":	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
d) I consent to police having access to my medical record(s) in relation to this matter: (obtained in accordance with local practice)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) I consent to my medical record in relation to this matter being disclosed to the defence:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) I consent to the statement being disclosed for the purposes of civil proceedings if applicable: (eg. Child care proceedings, CICA)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
g) The information recorded above will be disclosed to the Witness Service so that they can offer help and support, unless you ask them not to. Tick this box to <u>decline</u> their services:			<input type="checkbox"/>

Witness Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
 Parent/Guardian/appropriate adult Signature: _____ Print Name: _____
 Address and telephone number if different from above:

Statement Taken By (print name): _____ Station: _____
 Time and Place Statement Taken: _____

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Mark dates when Investigators and other witnesses are NOT available. Codes for non-availability
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 Name of person submitting form and date

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