

Witness Name: KELVIN CAYZER

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## INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

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### FIRST WRITTEN WITNESS STATEMENT OF KELVIN CAYZER

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I, Kelvin Cayzer, will say as follows:-

#### Section 1. Introduction

1. My name is Kelvin Cayzer. I was born on GRO-C 1980 and I live at GRO-C  
GRO-C Lancashire GRO-C
2. My father, Stephen Edward Cazyer (born on GRO-C 1953), was co-infected with the Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) and the Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) through contaminated blood products. He died on 31<sup>st</sup> January 1991, aged 37.
3. This witness statement has been prepared without the benefit of access to my father's full medical records.
4. My mother and (half) brother, Sean, have also provided Witness Statements to the Inquiry (WITN4713001 and WITN4715001 respectively).

## **Section 2. How affected**

5. My father (Dad) had severe Haemophilia A, diagnosed at birth or a very early age. He was treated with Cryoprecipitate initially and then Factor VIII (FVIII) concentrate which he used on a prophylaxis basis at home. Dad was under the care of Dr Delamore and Dr Wensley initially and then under Dr Charles Hay at the Manchester Royal Infirmary before transferring to the Liverpool Haemophilia Centre at the Royal Liverpool Hospital when Dr Hay transferred there as Director.
6. Dad was infected with HBV (and was believed to be clear of it) before he met my mother (Mum). I do not know when he became infected with HCV and/or when he was told that he had it. He knew something was wrong. He would say that he would be dead before he was 40. Six months or so before his death, Dad gave Sean the family sash, an heirloom handed down to the oldest son in each generation. He was starting to have fits and blood clots on Dad's brain were identified through an MRI in October or November 1990.
7. Dad died suddenly and unexpectedly at the Liverpool Royal Hospital. We were told that the cause of death might be Legionnaires Disease or viral Pneumonia and that there would be a post-mortem. We later received a phone call advising that the post-mortem would not happen. Dr Hay had stopped it. Mum's mind was all over the place and she did not pursue it. Pneumonia was named as the main cause of death on the Death Certificate. It was only after Sean had watched 'In Cold Blood' that it dawned on us that HCV had probably contributed to Dad's death. We are now left wondering exactly why Dad was denied a post-mortem and what they were trying to hide from us and why.

## **Section 3. Other Infections**

8. I am not aware of any other infection.

#### **Section 4. Consent**

9. I am unable to comment on the issue of consent.

#### **Section 5. Impact**

10. It was awful to lose my Dad at aged 10 and to grow up from then without a father. My Dad was so family oriented. He tried so hard to be the father he wanted to be despite being in constant pain. I once ran at him rugby style and dodged him as he tried to catch me, resulting in him falling to the ground. Mum told me after Dad died that he had been in excruciating pain but he didn't let me know. He always hid his pain as best he could. He was very brave.

11. Dad liked being in groups of people and make people laugh. He was a real clown, always laughing and joking.

12. I now have two children of my own. They have never met their grandfather and have missed out in having him in their life. Dad's death really hit me hard especially after the birth of my youngest.

#### **Section 6. Treatment/Care/Support**

13. We were not offered any counselling and/or support.

#### **Section 7. Financial Assistance**

14. We had no assistance from the Trusts and Funds.

**Anonymity, disclosure and redaction**

15. I confirm that I do not wish to apply for anonymity and I understand this statement will be published and disclosed as part of the Inquiry.

**Statement of Truth**

I believe that the facts stated in this Witness Statement are true.

Signed GRO-C  
Kelvin Cayzer

Dated: 30. 11. 2020