

Witness Name: Paul Thomas Bullen

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**THE INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY**

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21st April, 1982.

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Dear Dr. O'Shea,

re: Paul Thomas Bullen -

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Many thanks for accepting to look after the care of this haemophiliac. I hope the following information will be of some use to you. Paul is now 22 years old and was diagnosed as having haemophilia at the age of four following the usual sort of childhood problems. His grandfather was known to be a haemophiliac. Paul's factor 8 level runs in the region of 5% and at no time have we detected any inhibitors to factor 8. Nevertheless his bleeding history is somewhat greater than you might expect for such a factor 8 level and he has been a fairly regular attender at our haematology department. His main specific problems relate to a fairly severe ileo-psoas bleed in 1980 but I am glad to say that there has been a reasonable recovery from this and also persistent trouble with his left knee in the form of recurrent pain and clinical evidence of chronic synovitis, although once again it has shown some improvement over the past year or so. Paul's liver function tests have fluctuated somewhat over the past two to three years with a maximal ALT level of 254 international units and this is suggestive of some degree of non A non B hepatitis although I am glad to say that he has never had any other symptoms or signs suggestive of significant liver disease. Hepatitis B serology is negative.

Although Paul does have some degree of immobility particularly associated with the wasting in his left thigh, he is well motivated and certainly has a very sensible approach to his haemophilia.

Yours sincerely,

R.F. STEVENS  
Consultant Haematologist.

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